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Hwy 121 to become a county road in '98

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Six months after giving Haliburton County the ownership of 100 km of highways, the provincial government is adding even more kilometres to the county roads system.

Starting January 1, Highway 121 between Haliburton and Minden will become County Road 121.

Whether it agrees or disagrees, it seems there's little county council can do about it. Since municipal governments are a creation of the province, the province "can give you whatever they want to give you," says county roads engineer Les Shepherd.

"It could be bad if the bridges are a county responsibility," says Warden Murray Fearrey. The bridges on the highway are getting old, and would cost much more to fix than the \$2-million the province is giving to the county in exchange for the change in ownership.

Come January, the 24-kilometre stretch between Minden and Haliburton will be the busiest in the county's road system.

The latest available Ministry of Transportation statistics, for 1993, show the average daily car count for the year was 2,600 cars from Minden to a point a third of the way towards Haliburton, and 3,150 cars for the rest of the two-thirds. In summer, those numbers jump to 3,350 and 4,050.

"I am a little bit surprised" at how high the counts are, Shepherd says. The only comparable stretch of road for the county is the one kilometre between Hwy 121 in Haliburton and the Haliburton Hospital, which sees 2,000 vehicles a day.

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GRADUATION '97

It was a time of fondly looking back at the past, and excitedly thinking of what was to come in the future when Grade 8 students across the county graduated last week. Above, Archie Stouffer Elementary School's "Prime Minister" Erin Fielding and Keri Hartwick cry on each other's shoulders during Thursday night's graduation ceremony while at right, Sarah Billings watches her fellow graduates at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School receive their diplomas. Coverage of graduations can be found throughout the Echo

High school upgrade costs rise to \$6-M

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The projected cost of upgrading Haliburton's high school has jumped "significantly" to nearly \$6-million, in part because of a building freeze imposed by the province, say board officials.

The cost of construction and buying building materials went up during the Ministry of Education's one-year moratorium on new school construction, which was lifted in the spring, said superintendent of business administration, Jim Bradley.

When the expansion proposal first went to the drawing board more than two years ago, the board's architect estimated it would cost about \$4.75-million.

That price was based on estimates of \$85 to \$90 per square foot to build the addition and carry out renovations. At the time the construction industry was hurting so many companies

were willing to bend on their prices, said Bradley.

But today — after more than a year on the shelf because of the building freeze — estimated construction costs for the high school work are estimated at about \$100 per square foot.

"I guess I get a little frustrated with the Ministry saying they want to save money. But the cost of this project has grown significantly,"

since the board first submitted it for approval, said education director Brad Saunders.

However, the construction delay can't be blamed solely for the increased price-tag.

In February, a majority of trustees voted to bump up the original \$4.75-million expansion proposal by adding a \$400,000 theatre and lecture hall.

Trustees who supported the

additional work feared they may not get another chance to see the theatre built before the board is dismantled in January.

Last week members of the board's management committee reviewed tenders submitted by three construction firms bidding on the upgrade project.

The lowest bid came from

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World Cup paddlers need a place to park their kayaks

The entire world will be converging on Horseshoe Lake this summer — or at the very least, the world's best white water kayakers.

For the first time, the Minden Wild Water Preserve will host the fifth and final event in this year's World Cup circuit. That means the actual cups will be presented on the shores of the Gull River.

CBC television sports has

said it will be there, adding to the prestige of the event. The Minden site is often said to be the world's best natural white water site.

Several of the competitors were at the Atlanta Olympics so "this is your chance to hobnob with the Olympians," says organizer Craig Peabody, who is looking for people who are willing to open their homes or cottages to the athletes.

The event takes place over the August civic weekend, August 1 to 3, and athletes will arrive a couple of days before that. The organizing committee is asking local residents and cottagers, especially those near the Preserve, to host one or several of the athletes. While the accommodation is expected to be free of charge, the athletes

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Walk for Water raises \$6,500 to dig wells

HELP A VILLAGE Effort, H.A.V.E., raised \$6,500 during the 14th Annual Walk for Water on June 7. Fifty-five walkers and joggers braved the trek that started at the bandshell on Head Lake and weaved its way to Kashaga Drive to the Wigamog Inn. They had the opportunity to rest their weary foot bones

during a boat ride across Lake Kashagawigamog to the Bonnie View Inn before making their way back to Head Lake where they were treated to well-deserved foot massages and entertainment by Kidd Country as well as Chris Kadwell. There were probably as many volunteers as there were jog-

HERE, THERE & EVERYWHERE

News about people and events in Haliburton County

gers, and they already have their sights set on next year where they hope to see more youth take part in the Walk for Water. Since 1982, H.A.V.E. has been helping to fund well-drilling operations in poor countries such as Gambia, Nicaragua and Thailand to supply people with healthier water for their villages. Besides clean water, the funds have also been used towards establishing education and health services

in parts of India.

The Haliburton Minor Hockey Association is asking anyone who is interested in coaching this winter to have their application in by June 27. Please call Cathy at 457-4072 or Jim at 457-1234. You do not have to be a parent or already hold a coach's certificate. All interested applicants, including singles and seniors, are welcome to

apply. As well, anyone interested in refereeing should please contact Claude at 457-1805.

The talents of the Haliburton Ministerial singers will be featured in an open air concert at Head Lake Park in Haliburton from 1 to 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 5. The Haliburton Ministerial Singers and the Praise Hymn Gospel Band – made up of musicians from Victoria and Haliburton Counties – will be filling the air with heavenly music. And it's free. You should also mark August 9 in your calendar. That's when the Praise Hymn Gospel Band and the Sonshine City Quartet will be joining forces for a musical afternoon at the park.

When you send your dog out to the doghouse, does he thank you for it? C-I-L Dulux paints and Canadian Workshop magazine are giving you the chance to win \$1,200 worth of paint so your house can be as nice as Fido's. Anyone with a doghouse worth boasting about is invited to compete in the "Doghouse of the Year Award." Send the magazine pictures of your dog in the house with a

maximum one-page note describing how you built the house. Canadian Workshop developer Mike Bradshaw will select three winners, who will be announced in the magazine early next year. The contest is open to all Canadian residents. First prize is the paint plus the services of a professional C-I-L Dulux colour representative. Second prize is 15 gallons of paint, enough for about four rooms, and third prize is 10 gallons of paint, enough for two rooms. Entries must be received no later than September 30 addressed to "Doghouse of the Year, Canadian Workshop, 130 Spy Court, Markham, Ont., L3R 0W5.

Families who go to Head Lake Park this weekend will have to find other ways to entertain themselves than using the playground equipment. But the one weekend without slides and climbers will be worth it in the long run. The municipality of Dysart is removing the existing playground equipment on Friday so it can be replaced with brand new equipment on Wednesday. Any parts of the old playground equipment that can be salvaged are to Eagle Lake and Harcourt.



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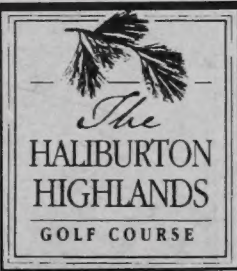
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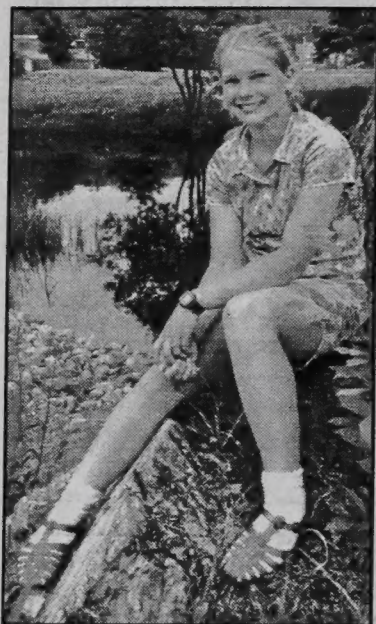
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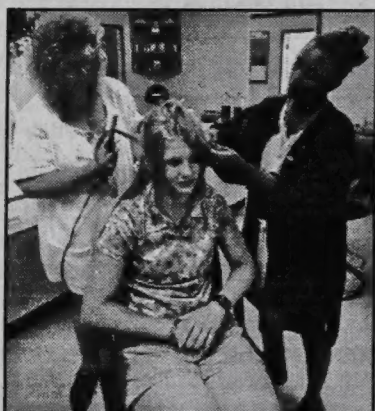
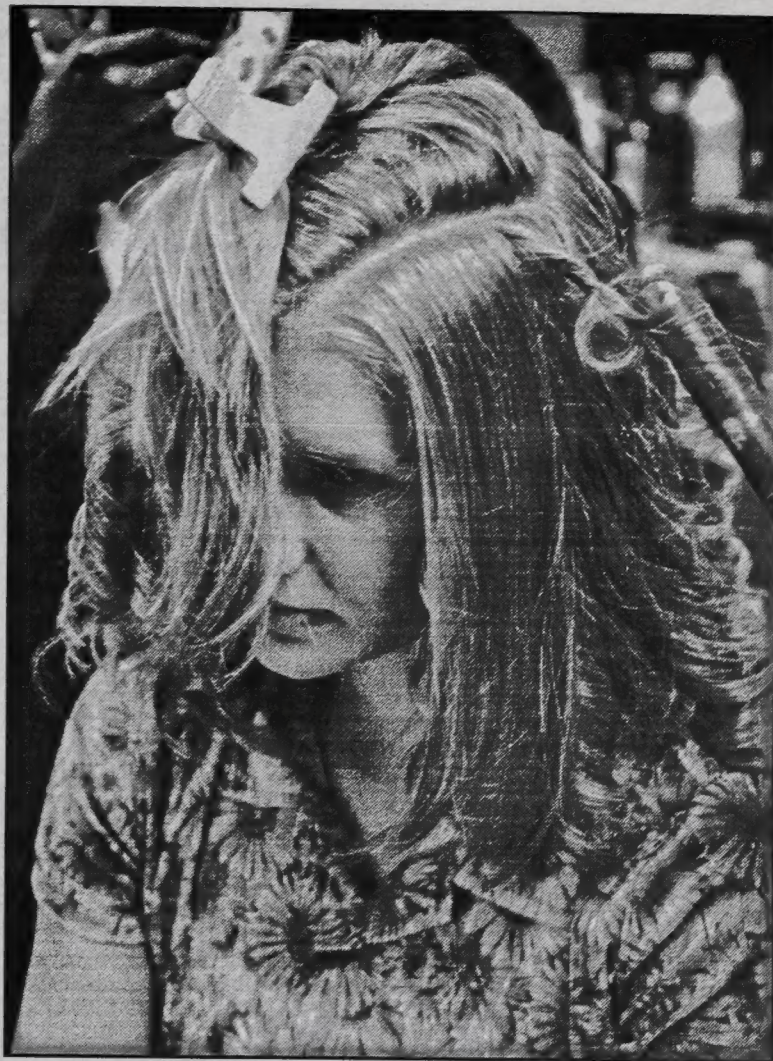
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It takes two hours, but Annie Cochran and Sheri Long at Danielle's Hair Salon turn Liane Dron from a typical teenager, left, into a young woman her parents, John and Diane (bottom right) can be proud of at the J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School Grade 8 graduation ceremony on Friday night



*Photos by
Martha Perkins*



Board would accept lowest tender if EIC and Ministry give approval for spending increase

FROM page 1

Parry Sound-based W.S. Morgan Construction Ltd at roughly \$5.1-million.

But when you add on architect's fees, consultants' fees and GST, the projected cost of the expansion is closer to \$6-million, said Bradley.

The other bids came in at \$5.17-million and \$5.57-million.

Two other companies that had pre-qualified to tender on the job were not included in the selection process. One company didn't submit a bid and the other missed the deadline by just a couple of minutes.

Before the board can officially accept Morgan Construction's tender bid, it needs to get approval from the provincial Education Improvement Commission and the Ministry of Education to go ahead with the project.

The province has agreed to give the board \$1.4-million toward a \$2.8-million renovation at the high school. Because the board's proposal has exceeded the original allocation level, it requires approval from the EIC and the Ministry.

It's hoping to get both approvals before August 10 — its deadline to make a selection or re-tender the job.

The local committee overseeing the amalgamation of the boards in Haliburton, Muskoka and Victoria has supported the expansion plan.

Board officials are optimistic

the local committee's endorsement will help sway favour at the provincial level.

The board is still waiting for word on its construction plans from the EIC.

"We're really hoping it will be a positive response," Bradley told trustees. "... We have a tender price. We have the support of the local EIC. We have support of the board. So now it goes to them to, shall we say, put up or shut up."

If the necessary approvals are in place soon, Bradley said there is still enough time to at least have a shell up for the addition before the winter hits.



FAITH IN ACTION: At Monday night's dinner at the Bonnieview Inn, Ethel Galvin, the president of the Haliburton UCW, right, presented a cheque for \$1,500 to Doris Laine, president of the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary. The money was raised at the spring luncheon and tea.

Kayakers need place to billet

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will be responsible for providing their own meals.

Indoor accommodation is preferred — not camping — because camping facilities will be available at the site.

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Hwy 121 standards to be kept by county

FROM page 1

Shepherd says that from what he's heard, the Minden-Haliburton corridor is one of the hardest in the county to maintain over the winter, but he doesn't think drivers should be concerned that winter driving conditions will be more hazardous once the road is under the county's jurisdiction.

"There will be a change in how we do it but I don't think the service level is going to change that much," he says.

On most county roads, the county uses a mixture of salt and sand, with heavy emphasis on the sand. This will change for 121, which will continue to be salted to keep the surface bare.

Because pure salt is applied to the high side of a curve, however, salt trucks are often driven on the wrong side of the road, which will make it impossible for the county to plow and salt at the same time. There will probably be a tender for a local truck to apply the salt only.

As well, the use of hot mix for paving will be maintained because of the high traffic count.

In the future, Shepherd would like to host a series of public meetings across the county about service standards.

Last January, the county became responsible for Hwy 648, Hwy 121 between Minden and Kinmount, the one kilometre stretch between Hwy 121 and the Haliburton Hospital and those segments of Hwys 503 and 507 within the county's borders.

In last week's announcement, the province said it would also give the county half a kilometre near Kinmount. Shepherd believes this is just "housekeeping" from the previous transfer.

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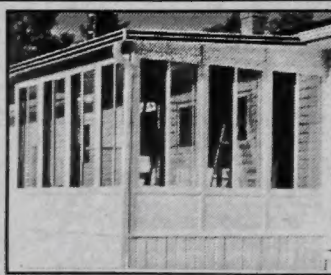
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Old farm gets new lease on life thanks to museum

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

An old Minden farm house that was being set up for a date with the wrecker's ball could end up with a new lease on life as a combination historical, education facility and tourist attraction.

Considered beyond repair by its present owner, the Haliburton County Board of Education, the run-down house has captured the imaginations of at least three groups that want to see it preserved.

Minden's reeve and deputy-reeve, along with members of the Minden Museum Committee, have asked the board to postpone its decision on the fate of the former Stevenson house for three months while they determine whether it's feasible for them to save it.

The municipality may even want to buy the farm house, located on the grounds adjacent to Archie Stouffer Elementary School.

At a meeting last week Reeve Jeanne Anthon told trustees the municipality became interested in the site when the University of Trent recently pointed out it has potential for collaborative projects between the university

and community groups.

Deputy-Reeve Jerry Rome said the municipality may be interested in leasing the farm house for one year, with an option to buy it at the end of the term.

While council isn't eager to take on more property — or the liability and associated costs that are attached to it — it is excited about the benefits of a potential partnership with Trent University, Anthon said.

However, councillors need more time to discuss the proposal to lease or buy the site in further detail.

Larry Hodgson, who spearheaded the initiative to save the farm house, told trustees the property could be an important classroom of local history for area students.

Rather than taking expensive field trips to Black Creek Pioneer Village, students could stay inside the county and learn how early settlers lived by logging and farming.

"It's funny how sometimes you don't see what's in your own back yard," he said. "... Instead of tearing it down, we could recycle it and turn it into something useful for the kids and something good for the county."

Preserving the farm house would offer numerous educational possibilities and the potential to boost tourism in the area, said Carolyn Cobourn of the Minden Museum Committee.

Various courses could be offered at the farm for students during the summer. It could also be used to teach high school students about sustainable living.

"Restoration of the farm could be a community-based project for the year 200 that could motivate residents of the Minden area to get involved in the community and its future," said Cobourn.

Until recently, the school board rented out the farm house, which previously belonged to the Stevenson family and was built more than 100 years ago.

But in the winter trustees decided it would make more economic sense to demolish the building than take on the expense of extensive repairs.

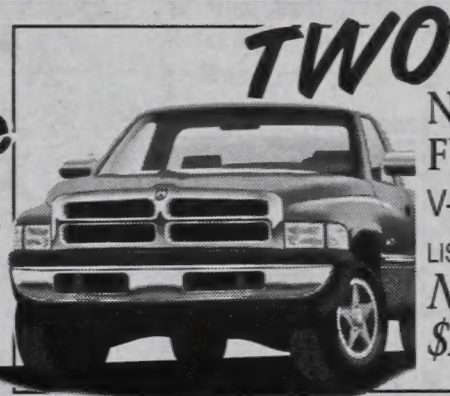
In the spring members of the board's management committee said they had no problem with the museum committee taking over the house, provided it is moved from the board's land.

If the house remains on its property, the board would continue to be held liable for it.



BORN TO BE WILD:

Vincent Lawr, 8, joined his classmates at Victoria Street School for their end of the year bash on June 20. Besides games of chance and a barbecue, the students could have their faces painted and their arms covered in tattoos.



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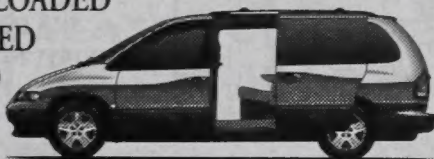
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Membership of health board gets its say at meeting

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Beginning this week Highlanders will be able to explore their stronger, more direct voice on local health care issues.

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services board, which has taken over ownership of the county's two hospitals and is integrating area health services, is preparing for its first-ever annual general meeting on Thursday night.

It will be the first opportunity for the 937 people who bought \$5 memberships in the corporation to play an active part in running the county's health care system.

"In a way, I think of the membership in our corporation as the shareholders of a corporation," said executive director Foster Loucks. "... The broad membership has ownership of our organization. They elect a board of directors and hold them accountable to run the health services in a way that is acceptable."

While an election isn't required this year, the primary task of the membership in years to come will be to elect the board of directors responsible for the actual hands-on managing of the hospitals and services offered by the board.

At Thursday's inaugural general meeting, four vacancies on the 18-members board will be filled by acclamation, rather than election.

According to the corporation's bylaws, any two members can

nominate a willing candidate to sit on the board. But the nominations must be made at least 30 days prior to the election. No nominations were received in time for consideration this year.

The board's nomination committee has put forward the names of four individuals to fill the vacancies, said Loucks.

Those attending Thursday's meeting should not expect to be able to vote on issues such as the operating hours of hospitals. Decisions on the actual operation of the county's health care facilities are left to the board of directors. The membership is able to have its say in the process by electing the directors.

However, the general membership can put forward motions from the floor on topics of interest or issues of concern.

And while the board is not bound to act on motions from the floor, it is in its best interest to consider them carefully, said Loucks.

Members can look forward to hearing further details on the board's planned expansion projects at Haliburton Hospital and Hyland Crest.

The architect overseeing the projects will be on hand at the meeting to explain the proposals and may have preliminary drawings to show the audience.

Thursday's meeting begins at 7 p.m. at Minden's Community Centre.



FINE-FEATHERED FRIENDS: Students in Cathy Boake's Grade 6 class at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School enjoyed a visit from two cockatiels last week as part of one their classmates projects.

County guarantees \$5-million loan for expansion of hospital facilities

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

County council has agreed to guarantee the local portion of the cost of 30 new long-term care beds at Haliburton Hospital and upgrading Hyland Crest.

Although responsibility for the two sites rests with the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board, and most of the money will be lent to the board by Extencare, the board needed the county to provide the loan guarantee.

On Wednesday, council agreed to do that, up to \$5-million.

Council also passed a motion which said once all the legalities are dealt with, it agrees with transferring ownership of Hyland Crest to the health

board.

This move was seen as necessary by the Ministry of Health, which is providing \$6.5-million towards the projects as long as the health board takes over the county-owned senior citizens home in Minden.

The health board plans to build a new emergency facility at the site, as well as upgrade the building to meet with modern standards.

One of the legalities to overcome is existing legislation which says that in order to retain county status, a county must maintain a seniors home. The legislation is supposed to be changed and negotiations can soon begin in earnest for the transfer.

"I'm happy (about council's

decisions) because these are two of the steps we have to follow and we have to keep moving forward," says Hugh Nichol, president of the health services board.

In passing the two motions, council noted the board has been working "diligently" in making sure the projects move ahead quickly, and Warden Murray Fearrey said he would hope the process would be quick enough to see a shell being built before the next snowfall.

But Nichol is beginning to doubt whether this can happen. At this Thursday's annual general meeting for the board at the Minden Community Centre, the architect working on the plans will talk about how far realistically the board can get this fall.



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County won't cut apron strings with Ma Bell

by **MARTHA PERKINS**
Editor

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Wednesday's meeting of county council.

It could save the county \$800 a year in long distance charges to switch to Sprint, but a majority of councillors prefer to stay with Ma Bell, and not just for sentimental reasons.

"Twenty-six people in this county work for Bell Canada... and Sprint has no employees, nothing in the county," said Dysart et al Deputy-reeve Bill Davis, leading the charge against a recommendation from the finance committee to try the lower-cost alternative.

As well, Davis noted the CRTC recently allowed Bell to increase the local rate in order to recoup some of the money it's lost to long distance carriers such as Sprint, which have not built the telephone infrastructure.

Another consideration, said Snowdon Reeve George Simmons, is the \$500,000 Bell Canada pays the county every year for the right to use municipal easements for phone lines. The \$840 "is not a great savings and I trust Bell's commercial that 5,000 people a week are switching back to Bell."

A money grab

North York is getting the Highlands' support in fighting the provincial government's plan to "grab" the money Bell pays municipalities for those easements.

"As part of the downloading on municipalities, the province of Ontario is grabbing the five percent telephone gross receipts tax paid to the city of North York by the telephone companies for municipal right-of-way," says the resolution North York asked the county to endorse.

In North York, those receipts total \$10-million and council says the province wants the money to reduce its costs, not property taxes.

If the province goes ahead with its plan, North York wants the federal government to step in, since it's federal legislation which gives telephone companies the right to use municipal property in exchange for the annual fee in lieu of property taxes.

Galway/Cavendish

Now that the council of Galway/Cavendish has expressed an interest in leaving Peterborough County and joining Haliburton County, the next move is Peterborough's, says Warden Murray Fearrey.

"This comes down to what Peterborough thinks. The only position we can take is if it's the wishes of the ratepayers of Galway/Cavendish, then we should support it. It's of benefit to them and of benefit to us."

As to the possibility of Somerville Township in the north of Victoria County joining the Highlands, Fearrey said "it's

strictly up to them."

(So far, no interest has been expressed by Somerville.)

Hyland Crest

Dr. Maurice Smith is retiring from his duties as medical officer for the seniors home at the end of the month, but Stanhope Reeve Jock Mavor reassured everyone that the appropriate steps are being taken to find a replacement. "Be assured that residents' medical needs will be addressed and there will be no reductions of service."

Meanwhile, there's good news on the budget front. Based on projected spending figures, the home is \$37,000 in the black on its year to date budget.

Fire services

Since a communications consultant will be spending the summer making recommendations for the next - and nearly final - stage of the fire services review, the committee likely won't meet again until September, reported Anson, Hindon and Minden Deputy-

reeve Gerry Rome.

In April, council approved in principle spending \$91,500 to improve radio communications between all departments by upgrading and renting four existing towers. The consultant will be reporting on how this should be done and the final decision will be made by the next county council. Meanwhile, the county has received \$18,474 from the federal government's JEPP funding to help pay the costs.

Improved communications would be a prerequisite for a

central dispatch system, as well as 9-1-1.

Meanwhile, the committee has heard of one county in the province which has automatic aid. (When someone calls in a fire, the department which is physically the closest, regardless of municipal boundaries, is automatically dispatched.) There were problems setting it up and the committee will find out what those problems were so that if automatic aid was implemented in the county, those problems could be avoided in advance.



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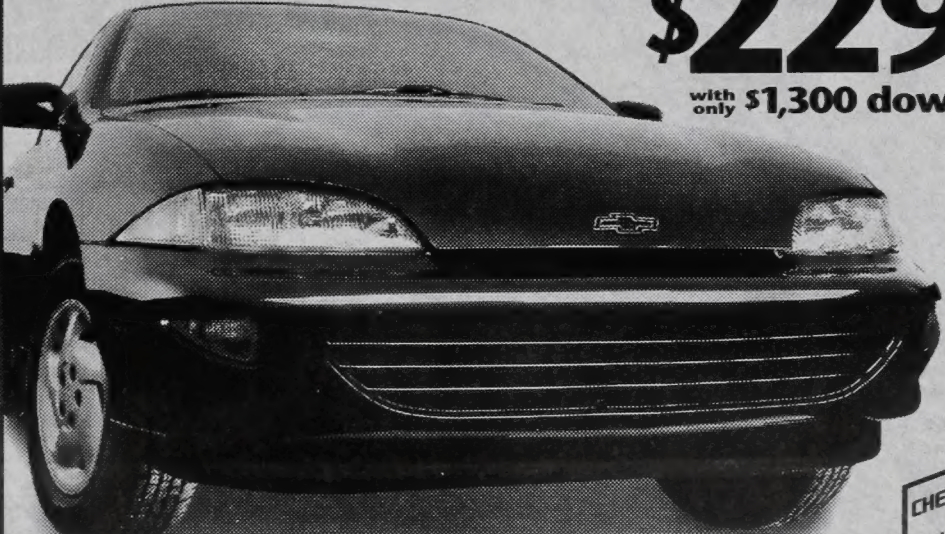
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Gooderham grads set for challenges ahead

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

As their family and friends beamed with pride in the audience, students at Gooderham Elementary School were honoured for a year of hard work and achievements.

The Grade 6 graduates, who will be moving on to J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School in the fall, were given special recognition during Thursday's awards presentation and graduation.

In her valedictory address, Carla Noseworthy acknowledged how hard it will be for the graduates to leave the school where most of them have spent "their whole

lives."

But the excitement of the long-awaited day when they will move on to a new school and new experiences will help make the transition easier.

Grade 4-5-6 teacher Ed Poropat told the students it has been an honour to teach them and help prepare them for the next step in their education.

"I'd like to express my awe for these students," he said. "I've taught most of them for the past three years so I've been able to watch them grow into really responsible, mature students."

Earlier in the ceremony, children in the school's reading program received certificates and then students from all grades were given bar awards for various subjects they excelled in.

Students from each grade were also recognized with special awards for outstanding performance in a number of areas.

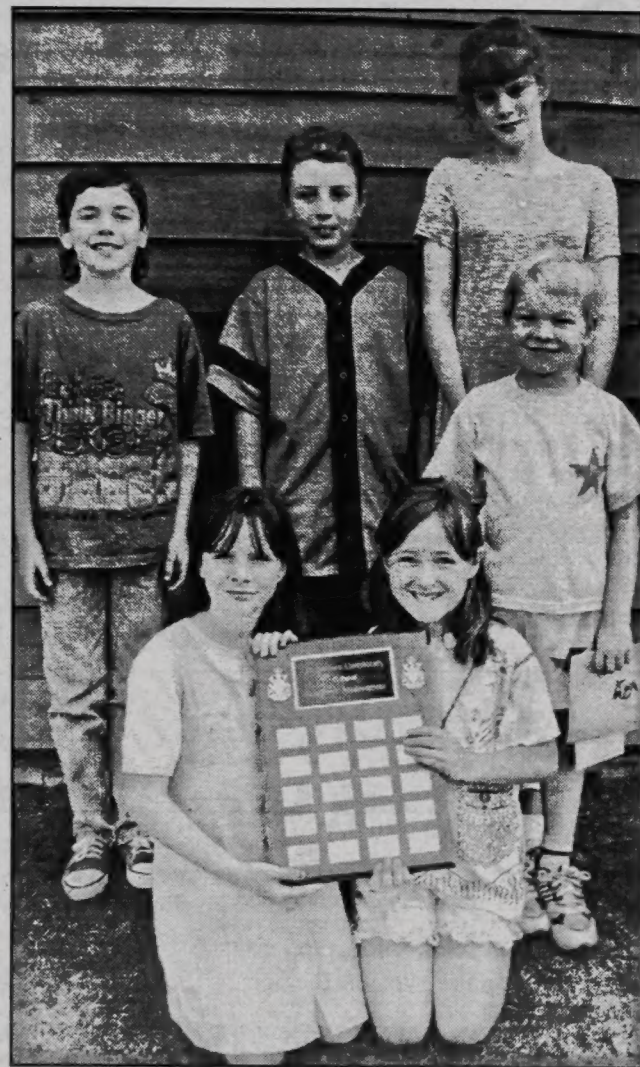
Citizenship Award: For students who are eager to help around their class and the school. This year's recipients were Eliza Noseworthy, Amanda Steel, Cheyenne Grant, Chris Sayers, Carla Noseworthy and Lynda Cheong.

Academic Award: For students with the top academic result: Ashley Sharpe, Lesley Trotter, Shawn Bryxi, Cheryl Askew, Andy Sayers and David Brindle.

Physical Education



PHYSICAL EDUCATION: Students who took an active approach were (from left): Kelly Madill, Trisha Hunter, Pam Dobson, Justin Stoughton, Tim Pettit and Devin Hunter.



ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: Students with the highest marks in each grade were (back, from left): David Brindle, Andy Sayers and Cheryl Askew. Front, from left: Lesley Trotter, Ashley Sharpe and Shawn Bryxi.

GREEN TEACHER: At left, Grade 4-5-6 teacher Ed Poropat received the school's environmental award, which is given in honour of former Gooderham teacher Jim Hopkins who now teaches at Victoria Street School.

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CITIZENSHIP: The students above are good citizens in the classroom and in the school. Front, from left: Elisa Noseworthy and Amanda Steel. Back, from left: Cheyenne Grant, Chris Sayers, Carla Noseworthy and Lynda Cheong.

GOODERHAM GRADUATES: Everyone in the picture at right is moving on to Grade 7 at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School, even Grade 4-5-6 teacher Ed Poropat. The graduating students are (back, from left): Cheryl Askew, Linsey Trotter and Trisha Hunter. Front, from left: Matt Reil, Carla Noseworthy and Karen Dobson. Doug Cary is absent from the photo.

FROM page 8

Award: Not necessarily for the best athlete in each grade, but for the best sports, who try hard and show solid teamwork: Kelly Madill, Trisha Hunter, Devin Hunter, Justin Stoughton, Tim Pettit and Pam Dobson.

This year three students were also recognized for perfect attendance — Lynda Cheong, Alesha Doran and Mathew Doran.

Last year the school created a special environmental award in honour of popular former Gooderham teacher Jim Hopkins, who moved to Victoria Street School.

This year the award went to another well-liked teacher who has endeared himself to the staff, students and community and who is also moving to another school — Ed Poropat.

Poropat, whose extensive knowledge of birds, animals and the environment enthralled the students, will begin teaching Grade 7 at JDHES in September.

"We're really sad to see Mr. Poropat leave," said Principal Ruth Lewis. "The school is going to miss him very much."

(Mrs. Lewis is also moving on to another school in the fall. She will be principal of Wilberforce Elementary School. However, she decided to tell the students and parents of her move after the ceremony because she didn't want to take anything away from their celebration.)

Students Carla Noseworthy, Linsey Trotter and Trisha Hunter said good-bye to Mr. Poropat on behalf of the class and told him how much the students will miss him



and how much they appreciated the respect he paid each of them.

Repeating, "I will not cry, I will not cry," as he approached the floor, Mr. Poropat told the students he was "absolutely overwhelmed" by their tribute.

"Thank you to all my students. You have taught me a lot."

He also thanked the staff, educational assistants, volunteers and community for supporting the school.

Mrs. Lewis also praised the large group of men and women in the community who gladly volunteer their time at the school, helping staff and students.

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Editorial

A "happening" place

IF YOU READ enough of the stories in this week's *Echo*, you'll get the sense that life in the county is winding down... and beginning to gear up.

First, the winding down. Over the past few weeks, local organizations have been holding their annual general meetings, a time to reflect on the past year's challenges and successes. It's as if these organizations were cleaning up, getting everything settled before most members prepare to either enjoy the summer leisurely or frantically. (The leisure is for those lucky enough to be retired; the frantic pace is for those who have to earn a living in the do-or-die busy season.) Many organizations take a summer hiatus, a reverse hibernation.

And then there's the gearing up. Over the next few weeks, *The Echo* and our summer publications – *The Summer Guide* and *County Life* – will be detailing just how much fun it will be in the Highlands this July and August. This year in particular, there seems to be so much going on. The School of Fine Arts resumes Monday, of course, and there are the annual events such as the Rhubarb Festival, Country Good Times, the Highland Games and Gooderham Horseshoe Days, but there are also quite a few newcomers. The Haliburton Highlands Museum is hosting discovery programs for children, the Dance Company is expanding into theatre, Eliza Gardiner is offering drama workshops for kids, horseback riding is springing up all over, there's a quilt show in Minden, where the Pritchard House has just been opened by the weavers and spinners, and the Frost Centre has its plate full with a schedule of informative and entertaining events. And that's just a partial list.

Things are bustling in the Highlands... and it's about time.

With all the events being planned, it's giving the impression that the Highlands is a dynamic place to visit, and that will be an important facet of the economy's recovery. The Highlands will be a "happening" place, where talk of how much there is to do will entice people to get out and do them.

Yes, the trees and lakes are beautiful to look at, but in this modern society, many people want to do more than look. The "sleepy little town" image may do well with some, but others like the energy that happens when the streets are crowded with people and there's a festive mood. They like to feel they're at the "in" place and not missing out on all the fun that's happening elsewhere.

Muskoka has always been able to successfully market itself as having an urban culture – lots to do musically, dramatically, recreationally – without the stress of an urban environment. A lot of Muskoka's allure is its reputation – it just simply has to "be" Muskoka and visitors feel as if they're part of the mystique of life at the lake, something quintessentially Canadian. Haliburton doesn't have to become as slick as Muskoka to create its own mystique. Create for people some happy memories of summer, and they will be indebted to you for the rest of their time back in the city. Happy memories are the best marketing we could ever do.

There's little need to worry there can be too much to do. People like choices because people all have different tastes and interests. Those who say "Oh look, there's a quilt show in Minden" might not say "Oh look, there's a demolition derby in Gooderham," but at least both options are open to them. And at least there's something happening in every corner of the Highlands. When one community is strong, it helps the others be strong; when one is weak, it can weaken the others. This county needs to do well as a whole because the sum is greater than the parts.

Cottagers and visitors must excuse us for taking so long to realize that we need to offer more activities and events. You see, it's very easy for Highlanders to forget that when people come to the Highlands, they want lots of things to do. Most Highlanders in the summer are exhausted trying to keep up with the suddenly quickened pace. Summer means being busy naturally, without having to find something to fill a spare hour or two. Therefore, most Highlanders dream of simply being able to sit by the lake or go for a leisurely boat ride before the water gets cold and the leaves start changing colour. All too often, summer passes in a blur and autumn has returned far too soon. Oh, to be a cottager in the Highlands!

M.P.



Head Lake Sunset

by Len Pizzezy

Letters to the Editor

Confronting the topless paddler

To the Editor:

I'm writing to you in regards to the fact that women can now go topless in public. Frankly, I think it's repulsive. I encountered my first topless paddleboater last weekend. I knew that this ridiculous law was passed but was hoping that I would not have to deal with it especially at my own cottage....my escape from the insanity of the city.

While planting my garden, I could hear a bunch of hootin' and hollering and laughter but thought nothing of it since I knew that the cottage four doors down had a bunch of people up for the weekend. When I noticed the paddleboat full of women going along my shoreline, I couldn't help but notice a

fairly large woman flailing her arms everytime a boat went by or whenever she encountered someone along the shore. I was in shock to notice that she was topless and she was swinging her saggy old breasts from side to side. I felt sick.

I'm not a prude by any means but I feel that this law needs to be changed before it gets totally out of hand. I don't mind if women want to bare their breasts on their own property but to have women bring attention to themselves and have total disregard for the feelings of others really upsets me. I have two young children and I don't want them "exposed" to women who feel that they need to be such exhibitionists. Geez, I don't even walk around letting

them hang out in front of them.

I'm hoping that these women will have respect for others and not subject children or adults for that matter to nudity. I cannot believe that one judge has the right to pass a law without the public's input. If anyone has a petition started to get rid of this law, I will be the first to sign it!

The Echo should run a poll to see just how many woman actually support this law. Obviously these women don't have respect for themselves and have no one at home who is interested in viewing their breasts so they bare all in the hopes that someone out there will look at them since they have no other choice.

R. Pearson
Kennis Lake and Pickering

Parking meters are a necessary evil

To the Editor:

Once again our parking problem in Haliburton Village cannot get out of the paper, and the blame ends up on the wrong shoulders.

Haliburton BIA members do not want their customers to receive parking tickets. They don't even want the meters. As explained in the May 20th edition, the parking meters were put in to stop employees and business owners from parking on Highland Street.

As in the previous year, this past winter complaints flooded into the stores about "no parking" available on the main street; not that they had to pay the meter, but that there simply wasn't any parking available, and that some vehicles appeared to have been there a long time. When parking is not enforced

and things are let go, there have been times when 50% of the spaces are taken up by those who could park off Highland.

By enforcing ticketing, we are simply trying to make spots available, not chase patrons out of town.

The reason I call this "children at play" is the same reason that the problem won't go away. This spring when regular enforcement started, the old diehards simply started feeding the meters when the enforcement officer was seen coming down the street. The two-hour maximum limit was then enforced. Well, then they simply came out and moved their vehicle.

These are "professional" people who have been asked by

their neighbours to simply be considerate to the patrons of the Haliburton businesses, which would include their own, not to mention the elderly, those with wheelchairs and mothers with strollers who would really appreciate the spot.

The main street in Haliburton isn't that long. Cars which park there all day, every day become obvious very quickly. Perhaps we should simply all take not and approach these individuals to thank them for keeping everyone's spot war. Be careful though – some have threatened harassment charges if they have to hear about their cars anymore.

Rolf Gryciuk
Marty's, Haliburton

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Rotary works hard for community

by RAY SELBIE
Haliburton Rotary President

AS I WRITE this newsletter, feelings of relief and accomplishment are mixed together.

This is the end of my year as Rotary President and on June 26th the responsibilities of this position will pass to David Elstone of Elstone Motors.

David has been an active Rotary member for more than eight years and his energy as well as his interest in the community of Haliburton will stand him in good stead during the coming year.

We at Rotary are pleased to welcome another new member to our Rotary Club. Jim Henwood (owner of Henwood Variety) has joined us and promises to be a welcomed and contributing member.

Most of my goals for the past year as President of Rotary have been realized and our Club has been successful in many community projects (Summer Carnival, Snow-a-ma, Women on Snow, Rotary Auction for the Hospital Auxiliary, completion of Rotary's \$50,000 contribution to the health services care in this County, numerous personal assistance to people in need in our community and an increase in our Rotary membership by four).

By supporting the hospital projects, "we can be part of the concerted effort to save lives and assure the continuance of the most essential of social needs"

The beat goes on and as our Club continues to grow and make a positive contribution to Haliburton County, I am confident that the 1997-1998 Board will increase the positive involvement of Rotary both in the local community as well as with international projects.

As I said, there is some sense of relief at coming to the end of my year as President. No longer will I receive endless phone calls and mail (good luck to Dave), but also I see new faces on the Board of Directors who will enhance the guidance given to this Club by the Board's direction. This year we have two new members coming in being Lynda Shadbolt and Peter Forgrave. Both these people are highly enthusiastic towards the needs of our young people and their understanding of and compassion for the needs of our community will go a far way in assuring that the positive influence of Rotary continues.

I personally will continue on

with pleasure as a Rotary member. I am also grateful that I have been appointed as a member of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation. This Foundation is newly formed in order to raise and assure proper funding for our health services in Haliburton County, and has a mandate far greater than any other organization I have seen in Haliburton County to date.

I am honoured to have been elected as Vice-Chair of the Foundation with Dale Walker as the Chair. The Haliburton Highland Health Services Foundation is well represented by its Board which includes a broad spectrum of Haliburton County. I mention this because I want to make a pitch for hospital needs in Haliburton County.

As a lawyer having practised in this community for more than 22 years, I witness many special interest groups who capture public attention as well as public funds. Many of these expenditures have been opposed by me because they exact large dollars from the public purse which are being used to support a minuscule portion of the population.

Well - we are all part of a special interest group that demands our particular attention and financial support. We are all part of the human race which ages, becomes ill, has children, grandchildren and loved ones who have desperate needs for quality health care.

In my opinion, the single most important issue in the last 22 years to present itself in this County is proper health care with the inclusion of hospitals and surrounding health services.

There is no doubt in my mind that both individually and through our various contacts, we can be part of the concerted effort to save lives and assure the continuance of the most essential of social needs.

Therefore, I urge each and every member of this community both permanent and seasonal to become part of the first real issue to hit this area in years and in so doing, be part of helping yourselves as well as those you love. There is not one person in this community whether he or she lives here full time or is a recreational visitor that can say he or she is not touched by the need to support health care in Haliburton County. We no longer can rely on governments and the wealthy alone but all of us have a unique opportunity to be part of the answer to this great community need.

Please be prepared to give when and as possible so that our County will survive with quality health care. Support the Haliburton Highland Health Services Foundation as and when you are able.

Once again, I wish to thank all the people in our community both Rotarians and non-Rotarians who have made my year as President both personally rewarding as well as an opportunity to be of service.



Pic of the Past

CLIFFORD STOUGHTON brought us in this photo of him, on the right, and his late brother, Hilliard, riding horses which belonged to J.J. Hunter, who ran the lumber company in Gooderham. The photo, circa 1941, was taken in front of the Gooderham cenotaph and you can see the old Gooderham school (torn down in the 1960s) in the background. Our thanks to Mr. Stoughton for sharing this with us.

All creatures big and less big

AS ANY STUDENT of nature, human nature in particular, can tell you, the fear a creature can elicit has nothing to do with its size. While there are those who lie awake at night worrying about bears outside the cottage door, there are others, also wide-eyed in their beds, thinking of the mice lurking in the rafters.

In fact, concern, if not outright fear of mice, is common amongst many cottagers. Stephen remembered the mouse question as always being a burning topic of conversation. Despite steel wool stuck into every crevice and knot hole, covers on the chimneys and locked doors and windows, the questions were always the same. Did the mice get in? If they did, how much damage did they do? Were they still there? Did they have baby mice?

When he was older, Stephen realized how fortunate his family was that none of them had a fear of mice. If they had, life would have been very uncomfortable those first weekends. But fear was not an issue. Distaste, yes. Anger, definitely. Mouse droppings, like plump pieces of burned coconut, were scattered across the kitchen counter, perhaps piled minutely in the cutlery drawer. Bars of soap, plastic lids and mysteri-



DOWN OUR ROAD

Sharon Lynch

ously attractive household items could be reduced to gnarled and shredded things barely recognizable.

His mother's worst fear was that the mice had made their way into the bedding. Some years they would chew holes through the bottom of the wooden drawers, and make a nest amidst the flannelette sheets. Bits of insulation, newspaper scraps, string would all be mixed in with the cloth to create a soft and dirty mess.

Stephen liked mice. He would have wanted to save the babies and make them into pets, given half the chance. No chance was given. Once all traces of the mice were cleaned up, more steel wool added to cracks and gaps, the traps were set. Mouse traps were placed along the exposed rafters, under dressers and beds and near the fireplace. They were baited with cheese hunks, cheese spread and peanut butter, depending on what was currently in favour. For reasons unknown, some years the traps were murderously successful in decimating the cottage's mouse

population. Other times, the mice seemed to thumb their noses at the contraptions and continue about their business unscathed.

Stephen remembered on more than one occasion sitting in the living room with a good paperback and looking up to stare into the face of a mouse perched on the logs by the woodstove. The family cat would be dozing on the rocker nearby. A minute later, another mouse would scamper across the rug and into a crack in the wall. Then, as though on cue, there would be a faint rustling in the kitchen and his mother would jump up in alarm, saying the mice were into the cupboards again. A sharp crack often followed, a short fluttering sound and his father would beam that they had just caught another rodent. However, when he checked the trap, it was often sprung and empty, only a dropping or two to indicate what happened to the cheese. No more would be said as the trap was reset and the cupboard door gently closed.

Stephen secretly rooted for the mice. He liked to lie in the dark and listen to their feet tapping across the bare wooden floor or exposed beams. It was one of those cottage sounds as endearing to him as loons calling in the moonlight.

Boonieville

by Charlie Telfeur



More Letters to the Editor

HHOA "much more than hook and bullet club"

To the Editor:

I have just finished reading the story on the Burnt River rehabilitation group and their initial successful fish stocking venture. Hats off to this group and their hard work so far.

One comment needs some clarification: the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association is much more than a group whose main focus is on hunting issues. The original mandated may well have had that slant, but since its inception over four years ago, it has matured into a strong organization supporting many projects far outside the realm of hunting. We have stocked rainbow trout from our lake cage culture project into more than 30 lakes in the county. Our new hatchery facility has received all of its approvals and should shortly have 25,000 rainbow in residence. Our native lake trout genetic testing program will get underway shortly in many of the area lakes. This exciting new ven-

ture is a pilot project with the Ministry of Natural Resources.

The HHOA is much more than a hook and bullet club. We are an active partner and financial supporter of the ELM project run by the high school under the leadership of Dave Mowat. We applied for and received CFIP funding for the walleye spawning bed at Head Lake bridge and supplied much of the labour to complete the project. We have had six spawning bed rehab projects on lakes all over the county, from Hawk Lake and Kennisis to the upcoming one on Glamor and the expansion of the Head Lake bed this year. We offer a financial support program for kids who would like to attend the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters summer camp program offered at Haliburton Forest. We have undertaken a project this spring to clean up over 50 boat landings county-wide on an ongoing basis.

As well, yes we do support hunting

issues and work hard on programs such as the winter deer feed program (10 tonnes delivered by club members last winter), the lost hunting dog retrieval program, the ongoing hunt camp registration program and others.

We are now being asked to speak at various cottage association meetings to explain programs that the club is doing, or assist the association in developing a

program of lake rehab in co-operation with the MNR.

We are a very conservation minded, dedicated group (more than 200) who believe in the future sustainability and responsible use of our natural resources.

Patrick Kennedy, President
Haliburton Highlands Outdoors
Association

If you have an opinion you'd like to share, don't forget you can e-mail us at echo@halhinet.on.ca. Our mailing address is Box 360 Haliburton, K0M 1S0 or you can drop by our new office overlooking Head Lake

Occupational therapist can and does help people in their homes

To the Editor:

I would like to thank Maria Calabrese for her informative article about a special Occupational Therapist (OT), Marie Gage, and about the profession of OT in general. Very few people are aware of what Occupational Therapists do unless they have had a personal experience of how an OT can help the recuperative process and improve their quality of life.

I would also like to point out that, as well as the OTs at the Five Counties Children Centre, there are, indeed, OT services available for adults in our community. Donna Wright, of Lochlin, is an excellent and very busy OT. She is a consultant with THERAPACC, a provider of therapy services to our area. She covers Haliburton County by refer-

als from The Haliburton Access Centre, which co-ordinates our health care services. When the workload demands, another OT from THERAPACC in Lindsay comes up to assist.

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Local athletes perform well at Legion track championships

by PAUL MORISSETTE

Forty Haliburton County Track and Field athletes travelled to Oshawa on Saturday, June 21 to compete in the royal Canadian Legion District F Track and Field Championships.

The Haliburton team won 35 medals, 12 gold, 12 silver and 11 Bronze.

Nicole Cooper won three golds in the 15 and under throwing events, shot put, discus and Javelin to led the way. Shirleen DeLoan won the 17 and under shot put. Stephanie Ratz and Kate Campbell also captured gold medals. Stephanie Medalled in all three of the distance races 800, 1500 and 3000 winning the 1500 metre run.

Kate, who normally is a hurdle specialist, is competing in the pentathlon this summer, an event which combines High Jump, Long Jump, shot put the 200 metres and the hurdles. Cardiff Elementary student Melanie Anderson won the 15 and under Triple Jump as a 13 year old and demonstrated

strong future potential.

Kenny Mott, another elementary school product from JDHES, won gold in both the shot put and discus and will be an athlete to watch in the future. Evan Kernohan, Matt Reid and Mark Comeau also won gold. Evan in the high jump, Matt in the discus and Mark in the Javelin throw.

A number of elementary school athletes competed against individuals who were several years older and fared very well notably David Bloomfield, Justin Walker, Mike Lilius, Kim Lindsay, Linda Dron and Katrina Matyrak.

Six local athletes were selected to the 40 person district F team which will compete in Windsor on July 11-12 from the Ontario Legion Championships: Kenny Mott - Shot and discus; Mark Comeau - Javelin and discus;

Kate Campbell - Pentathlon and hurdles; Stephanie Ratz - 800, 1500, 3000; Nicole Cooper - Shot, discus, javelin; and Abbey Pearsell - Discus and javelin.

Tem coaches Paul Morrisette, Walt Tose and Dave Swan were very impressed by the meet's organization and to team spirit and effort put forth by all the competitors and look forward to good results in the future.



Students in Neil Cowey's class at JDHES carved their own paddles. Front, from left: Justin Hayes, Dustan Marsh, Cole Bonfield, (middle, from left) P.J. Labelle, Jordach Shuitemaker, Joe Parish, Preston Johnston, Kim Freeman, (back, from left) Neil Cowey, Craig Harding, Dave Kennedy and Ginny Pocket

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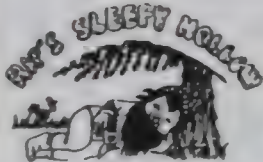
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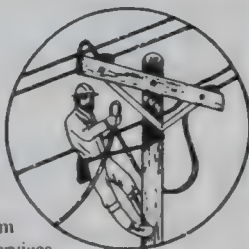
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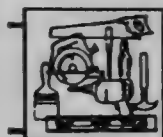
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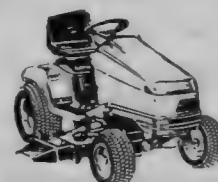
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Haliburton Minor Baseball League

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Yankees (Haliburton Lumber)	2	1	0	.666	.5
Blue Jays (Emmerson Lumber)	0	2	1	.000	2

Results of June 17 Yankees, 7, Red Sox, 2

National League	W	L	T	Pct.	GB
Cardinals (Village Donuts)	5	0	0	1.000	-
Rockies (Rodco Enterprise)	3	2	0	.600	2
Royals	1	3	1	.200	3.5
Orioles (McKeck's Place)	0	4	1	.000	4.5

Results of June 17 Royals, 14, Orioles, 9 Cardinals, 10, Rockies, 7

Canadian League	W	L	T	Pct.	GB
Brewers (Home Hardware)	3	1	1	.600	-
Phillies (G.J. Burtch Construction)	3	2	0	.600	.5
Marlins (Curry Motors)	2	2	1	.400	1
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Results of June 18 Phillies, 9, Pirates, 6 Brewers, 10, Marlins, 10

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Deer hunters now have two ways of getting their validation tags

Natural Resources Minister Chris Hodgson recently announced changes to the antlerless deer draw that will make applying for deer validation tags more convenient for hunters.

Hunters will be able to choose one of two different systems to apply for antlerless deer validation tags.

Under the first system, Ontario hunters may obtain their Resident's Deer Licence and enter the Antlerless Deer Draw by telephone. Hunters may apply from either a touch-tone or a rotary dial phone. The telephone lines are open now and will continue to be open until July 31. The number is 1-800-288-1155. The lines will be open from 4:00 a.m. to midnight (EDT) seven days a week. Callers need a valid 15-digit hunting version Outdoors Card number and a valid Visa or MasterCard. They must also identify which Wildlife Management Unit

(WMU) they prefer. A Telephone Application Brochure will be mailed to all Ontario deer hunters in early June, providing step-by-step instructions for completing applications.

The second system allows hunters to continue applying by the traditional paper process through the purchase of a Resident's Deer Licence of Farmer's Deer Licence at any of the Ministry's Hunting Licence Issuer Outlets. These licences are available now. Hunters require a valid hunting version Outdoors Card before they will be allowed to purchase a deer licence. The application for the Antlerless Deer Draw is attached to the paper licence. Hunters should simply complete the application form and mail it to the address on the back of the form. This form must be received by MNR no later than 4:30 p.m. (EDT) Thursday, July 31, 1997.

Reservoir lakes in decline

On June 16, the Haliburton Lakes averaged 90.7%, about 2% less than the 22-year average for that date. Welcome rains overnight brought an end to the month-long dry spell so that more normal levels can occur. Flow changes will be made only to keep the rivers coming from Haliburton above their respective minimums.

The Kawartha Lakes have almost no surplus remaining and the Otonabee River flow is getting near minimum.

Losses to evaporation are beginning, but have not yet reached the amounts observed at maximum times in earlier years. The rain June 16/17 boosted Lake Scugog and Rice Lake several centimeters.

Lake Simcoe-Couchiching is back to its rule curve, very close to normal for the time of year. Near minimum flows are being run along the Severn River from Lake Simcoe-Couchiching.

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Home Support honours volunteers for dedication

by MARIA CALABRESE
Staff Reporter

The tireless efforts of support staff and volunteers are an integral part of Haliburton County Home Support Services and they were kept in mind during the organization's annual general meeting on June 17.

"Regardless of the weather, they do what they have to do. It's impossible to carry out these services without volunteers," said executive director Donna Pacey.

The spotlight shone especially bright for Barbara Howland and Brian Hall who were named the outstanding volunteers of the year for contributing 1,616 combined hours of their time.

They came to Haliburton from Sutton four and a half years ago. In 1995, Howland, who was affiliated with the Georgina Association for Community Living, offered some of her skills in respite volunteering. Hall began volunteering in August, and since then they've been donating their time transporting clients, planting gardens, cutting grass and cleaning houses.

The guests of honor weren't at the meeting to accept their award which was presented to Mary Keats, transportation convenor, on their behalves.

An ad hoc committee was formed last year to look for new office space with cheaper rent. Several locations were considered, but they weren't wheelchair accessible. The board is currently negotiating with the Haliburton County Housing Corporation and will stay at the present location.

Negotiations are also underway with the Victoria Order of Nurses to have VON services by Aug. 1.

The projected number of seniors in the area remains high at 22% compared to the provincial average of 11%. While the number of clients using Home Support Services was down in the past year, the number of services being used are on the rise.

President, Adele Barnes and past-president Helen Henderson convened the five recreational trips last year, and plans are in the works for an excursion to Toronto to attend a performance of Riverdance in July.

Revenues from these trips are down by \$4,000 during the past year partly due to many other service clubs and seniors groups that are also providing recreational trips for these age groups. Home Support Services will work with these other groups so as not to compete with them by offering trips on the same day.

Home Support wants to ride the

tide of a successful phone scam workshop this year which was facilitated by retired OPP officer Ron Buchanan. They hope to work with the OPP to co-ordinate a presentation in Cardiff this fall giving information specifically to seniors regarding scams.

"There's a lot of scams out there, especially seniors have to beware," Barnes said.

As for administrative decisions, this year the board will be divided into two lots of people who will serve for either one and two years so the organization won't lose all of its experienced members at the end of one year. All board members will be on at least one committee.

Standing for board of directors for one year are Henderson, Bill Hartin, Gerald Rome, Ruth Still, Jane Van Nood and Jean Wittman.

Those who have agreed to stand for board of directors for two years are Barnes, Garry Holland, Mary Keats, Bob Mitchell and Lourene Scott.

Keep your ears peeled for the Owl Prowl which has been scheduled for Aug. 23, and the fundraising committee will be tempting some more taste buds this year with their Maple Leaf Ham and Cheese sale; they're hoping to top last year's profits of \$343.



MAN OF THE HOUR:

After 18 years of service to the Township of Monmouth, Ken Noble retired in style during a party on June 20 at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce.

Gone Fishin': Ken Noble has plans for retirement

by MARIA CALABRESE
Staff Reporter

More than 100 well-wishers converged at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce on June 20 to help Ken Noble celebrate his retirement.

Monmouth Reeve, and good friend, Keith Tallman, emceed the proceedings and spoke on behalf of Noble's friends to thank him for his dedication, commitment and a job well done.

With his wife Joan by his side, Noble received several well-earned standing ovations as well as a certificate on behalf of

MPP Chris Hodgson, a tree that will be planted in his honor and a painting.

Noble served the township for 18 years in several capacities including chief building official, by-law enforcement officer, animal control officer and cemeteries manager. And when he first applied for the position of Joe Boy, the job title was incorrectly typed as Joy Boy and he's been elbowed about it ever since.

But don't expect Noble to be tied to a desk anymore now that he will be enjoying his new-found freedom.

"If anybody needs me, I've gone fishing," he said.

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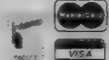
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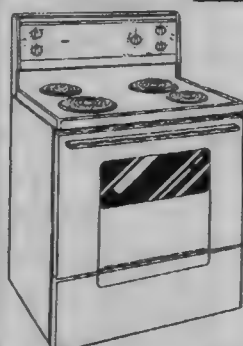
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Glamorgan able to hold the line on its budget

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Despite a 28 per cent cutback in provincial funding, property owners in Glamorgan will see the municipal portion of their taxes held at the same level as last year.

For the fifth year in a row, Glamorgan councillors recently adopted a zero increase budget.

However, that doesn't mean ratepayers in the municipality will see their overall tax bills flat-lined. They will have to pay

slightly more to cover small increases by both the Haliburton County Board of Education and the County.

"I'm pleased that we were able to keep the mill rate stable and still be able to do a few things," said Reeve Elva Bates.

Glamorgan, which has a budget of roughly \$377,000, saw its provincial transfer payment chopped by about \$34,000. This year it will receive \$87,825 from the province, compared to \$122,000 in 1996.

Fortunately, the municipality's

assessment base grew, allowing it to absorb some of the lost funding without cutting services.

Glamorgan is now sharing the services of its by-law enforcement officer with neighbouring Dysart for half the week, which also helps absorb the funding reduction.

Even with its freeze on tax hikes and the grant cut, the municipality is planning a few limited capital projects.

Council has applied for infrastructure funding to put gravel on roads.

New playground equipment will be installed at the park adjacent to the community centre with the assistance of a previous infrastructure grant for \$10,000.

As well, council will use money from a reserve set up last year to put a new folding door in the Community Centre.

The budget also includes \$7,000 to be added to the municipality's reserves.

Bates fears that funding changes the province intends to implement next year could hit the municipality "right between

the eyes."

In return for absorbing the costs of education, the province wants to shift numerous services to municipalities.

The shift to Actual Value Assessment is also on the horizon, which could have a dramatic effect on tax rates across the county.

However, Glamorgan — the only municipality in the Highlands that uses Market Value Assessment — should feel less of an impact from the change, said Bates.

Oh, Canada Day!

There are many ways to celebrate Canada's birthday this weekend and on July 1 holiday

Fireworks, canoe races, tug of wars and flag raising ceremonies are among the long list of festivities scheduled across the county to help Canada celebrate its birthday on July 1.

Some of the events will be held on Canada itself — next Tuesday — while others are set for the weekend.

In West Guilford, the fun begins a day early with a teen dance and Mr. and Mrs. Canada Contest on Monday June, 30 from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m.

Also in West Guilford, there are many activities taking place on

Canada Day, including:

- 10 a.m., horseshoe tournament (registration starts at 9:30 a.m.);
- 12 noon, flag raising ceremony, Canada Day Citizen award, decorated bicycle contest;
- 12:30 p.m., Pine Lake Swim (registration at 11 a.m.);
- 1 p.m., waterfront races;
- For a complete list of events in West Guilford, see pages 14 and 15.

In Minden, Canada Day festivities on July 1 begin at 7 a.m. with a Pancake breakfast and continue on until dusk when there will be a fireworks display at the ball diamond.

Among the other events to be held along Minden's South Water St., there will be:

- 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., kids' games and a classic car show;
- 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Lions' soap box derby (on Chandos St.);
- 1 p.m., Opening Ceremonies;
- 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., canoe races and crazy craft races.

In Wilberforce, the celebrations begin at 11:30 a.m. on July 1 at the Wilberforce Outpost museum.

In Dorset, the fun is scheduled for Sunday, June 29 at dusk when the Sherborne Fire Department puts on a fireworks display in Big Trading Bay. If there's rain, the event will be postponed until the next day.

At the Haliburton Lake public beach, the Haliburton Lake Cottagers' Association is hosting a fireworks display on Saturday, June 28, beginning at 9:30 p.m.

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Kids at Kinark Outdoors Centre can now enjoy summer – without the bugs – in new recreation hall

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The last time Chris Hodgson took part in a ribbon cutting at the Kinark Outdoors Centre, he was joined by the premier of the day, Bob Rae.

In the four years since then, Kinark has got bigger – and so has Hodgson's role in provincial politics. It was as MPP and Minister of Natural Resources that he wielded the scissors last Saturday morning at the centre's new recreation hall.

Perhaps not surprisingly, his comments reflected the changing nature of government since Rae's NDP government was replaced by Mike Harris's Conservative one.

"It's a pleasure to see the private sector getting involved in helping those who need to be helped. We need to encourage that more," Hodgson said of the joint project between the government-sponsored camp, the Metropolitan Toronto Junior Board of Trade which volunteered to build the new hall and the Minden and provincial businesses which donated supplies.

"Constraint is very real and the accomplishment of this rec hall shows the partnerships that Kinark is able to establish," said Gord Lugsdin, a program supervisor with the Barrie office of the Ministry of Community and Social Services.

"In these times there a new energy and vitality around new partnerships and volunteerism, and this building means a lot," echoed Jim McHardy, the centre's director.

There will be 4,000 young people using the centre, which is west of Carnarvon, this year and many of them will bring special needs. "Life hasn't been quite right" for them, and the new hall will help these young people "take new steps and move in new directions."

Most of the time, activities centre on the wonderful outdoor facilities, but as McHardy readily admitted this June morning, "there are times when" you've just got to go indoors, especially during blackfly season."

John McQuaig of the Toronto Junior Board of Trade thanked Kinark for allowing its young members to enhance their skills

and contribute to the province's wellbeing. This is the second building the organization has built at Kinark (and it's also locally been involved with projects at YMCA Camp Wanakita.)

A press release says "last year, close to 100 corporate volunteers from the Metropolitan Toronto Junior Board of Trade participated in an modern-day barn-raising at the centre. In addition to physically constructing the two-floor, 3,600 sq.ft. building, an army of volunteers worked diligently to raise money, secure materials donations, obtain food and beverage sponsors for the building weekend and promote the event..."

"Through its own private-sector based fundraising efforts, the Board of Directors of Kinark Child and Family Services also made significant financial contribution to the Spring Build campaign, proving that 'it takes a whole community to raise a child.'"

At the ribbon cutting, Laura Ferguson, the president of Kinark's board, said "we all feel



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Victoria York and Shaunna Kargus look forward to being able to use the new hall this summer when they return to camp, a fun place where they can do things they can't do back home in Midland.

the camp is one of the integral parts of meeting the needs of the people we serve and as it continues to grow, so too will our ability to grow."

That's good news for 10-year-old Victoria York and 12-year-old Shaunna Kargus, two veteran campers who look forward to returning to the camp.

"It's fun – you get to do a lot

of things like boating, kayaking and climbing the wall," says Victoria. She and Shaunna live together at Midland's Kinark, and they really like making the trip to the Highlands, winter and summer. Shaunna says "we get to be outside all the time here and you can't do that in Midland because they don't have the equipment and it's too expensive."



The Centre's director, Jim McHardy, MPP Chris Hodgson and Kinark president Laura Ferguson cut the ribbon for the new hall, which was built by the Toronto Junior Board of Trade



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The future awaits:

HHSS graduates say fond goodbyes to formative years

Over the past few years, students at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School have laid a strong foundation which will serve them well as they prepare to leave the high school, and perhaps even their home town, the OAC valedictorian told his fellow graduates on Saturday night.

"The world is a giant salt shaker - always changing, swirling with ideals and politics, culture and fashion," said Eric Harris. "However, with a sound foundation an individual can cut through, meet the needs of the future and stay on track. We shall bear a sticker saying 'well founded at HHSS' and though it may sound silly, it may also hold truth because diversity is a sign of strength, of foundation. The graduating class of '97 reflects this well through our personalities and diverse career changes..."

"This also reflects the diversity of our mentors, our teachers, our parents, and their faith and hard

work; for this is their day as well and we acknowledge their contributions. Our strong foundation, our success, would not have existed without them..."

"Where will we be when

summer is over? Aye, the warm, comfortable summer months of final goodbyes and solidifying friendships (turning into) the autumn meeting of new people and forming



OAC Valedictorian Eric Harris sings part of his speech



Grade 12 Valedictorian Darren Mills

new habits. However, our years are forever in our memory and in our character; they shall be with us for the rest of our lives, gladly."

Since music is part of Harris' character, he wrote a song to mark the occasion:

"just like the sunday morning cartoons in my head

i wish that things would go from red to blue instead they call them circles i say dead end street

one thing's for sure though where we go will be on our feet

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GRADE 12 GRADUATES: Katie Ackerblade, Andrea Anderson, Heather Bailey, Kari Baker, Sarah Brohm, Marla Brooks, Krista Brown, Rachel Brown, Dwight Bryant, Kasey Bull, Amber Bunn, Josh Burk, Dori Burke, Shannon Butler, Tammy Carey, Adam Carpenter



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Students say thanks

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Chorus: wherever you go is a new place
whoever you meet is a new face
it seems so intimidating
whoa i know... exciting

i hope that things will be the way they used to go
just like beverly hills 90210

it seems so silly really i don't know
'do da dee do da dee I hope so... chorus'

The Grade 12 valedictorian, Darren Mills, stuck to the spoken word for his address.

"Over the last four years, I have had the pleasure of travelling with some of the school sports teams and I can honestly say that we consistently display the

most class, sportsmanship, and desire to win. I have seen that our teams work the hardest, partially because of the limited space and time, but mostly because of the drive and motivation set forth by our coaches. Hal High should be quite proud of its coaches, for they devote a lot of their time and attention to teaching us how to come closer to reaching our goals and dreams.

"We may often think that the teachers try to hold us back or even plot against us in a sense, but when we look back, we have to give the teachers a lot of credit for pushing us forward and not let us fall behind (too much, anyway!)

"The teacher-student relationship at Hal High is one of the reasons our

school is so special and different. Our teachers are always there to listen, to encourage our academics, and to help us build character. They teach us the necessary skills that we need to succeed when challenges stand in our way...

"Secondly, we must not forget our parents, the people who put up with the late nights, lame excuses, and wild stories of the weekend. Tonight is a time that is as much theirs as it is ours. Our parents stand behind us through our ups and downs and are always there to give us support and love when it is needed...

"I would now like to thank (Principal Gary) Brohman for being there when we needed you. You



OAC GRADUATES: Mike Bradley, Nancy Douglas, Monique Fluegel, Matt Galbraith, Eric Harris, Christine Hattin, Jon Hebert, Todd Hoare, Blake Jackson, Sharon Lancia, Kai Makowski, Jessica Martino



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are like a father to many of us, you listen when we need to talk and we can always count on some good advice...

"Friends – what would school life have been without them? They are there when you are having your greatest memories, or when you are having your most depressing times... People always talk of not seeing each other after they have graduated; I know that not everyone will keep in touch, but I hope – no, I actually believe – that most of the friendships we have made will last for many years to come.

"We are at a point in our lives where we are going to have many decisions to make and hope that we can get through them all right. Many of us will be going on to college next year, some are going right

into the work force, and some will be coming back to school to decide which way they want to go. I see this as if we were astronauts: we know so little about what we are getting into but at we are so excited at all the new opportunities that we advance forward knowing that we are going to do the best we can with what we have got."

The following is a list of the 1997 graduates of HHSS:

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Certificate of Education:

Kate Knight

Gooderham students feast on Egyptian cuisineby MARIA CALABRESE
Staff Reporter

Gooderham Elementary School's epicurean education into traditional foods of Egypt was a feast fit for the pharaohs.

For seven weeks, Ed Poropat's class has been studying the pyramids, people, culture and religion of ancient Egypt which culminated into a recent field trip to the Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto to view the Egyptian exhibit.

"To continue their studies, students surfed the Internet and accessed Egyptian recipes," Poropat said. On Monday, groups of students chose a recipe and, under the watchful eyes of parent volunteers, prepared these Arabic meals for an Egyptian lunch on June 18.

Among the palatable delights was pita bread used to scoop up baba ghanouj, a dish of roasted egg plant and garlic.

Other veritable feasts included feteer bel asaag, a meat wrapped in a pastry; kosheri, rice and lentil in a tomato sauce; lemon, mint and potato salad; Egyptian marinated grilled chicken; oven baked potato stew; and cucumber yogurt salad.

Using her own Egyptian



cookbook, Susan Brindle-Smith tempted several taste buds with her contribution of sweet Egyptian palace bread.

Two bowls of figs and dates complemented the meal, and the young Egyptians washed down the morsels with the nectar of the gods, beer served in goblets.

"It's just root beer," Poropat said. "It's the closest facsimile."

Students wore eye makeup reminiscent of King Tut and donned sandals and traditional clothing richly decorated with human figures with customary profile head, frontal shoulders and side view legs.

Brad Saunders, director of education, and Craig Pettit, school board trustee, joined teachers and parent volunteers who also attended the banquet.



FEASTING IN GOODERHAM: Ed Poropat's class invited the school to a buffet of Egyptian foods. Above left, students are treated to feteer bel asaag, kosheri, lemon, mint and potato salad, Egyptian marinated grilled chicken, oven baked potato stew and cucumber yogurt salad. Above right, Mandy Dennie, 9, was especially fond of the baba ghanouj, the feteer bel asaag, "and don't forget the chicken," she said.

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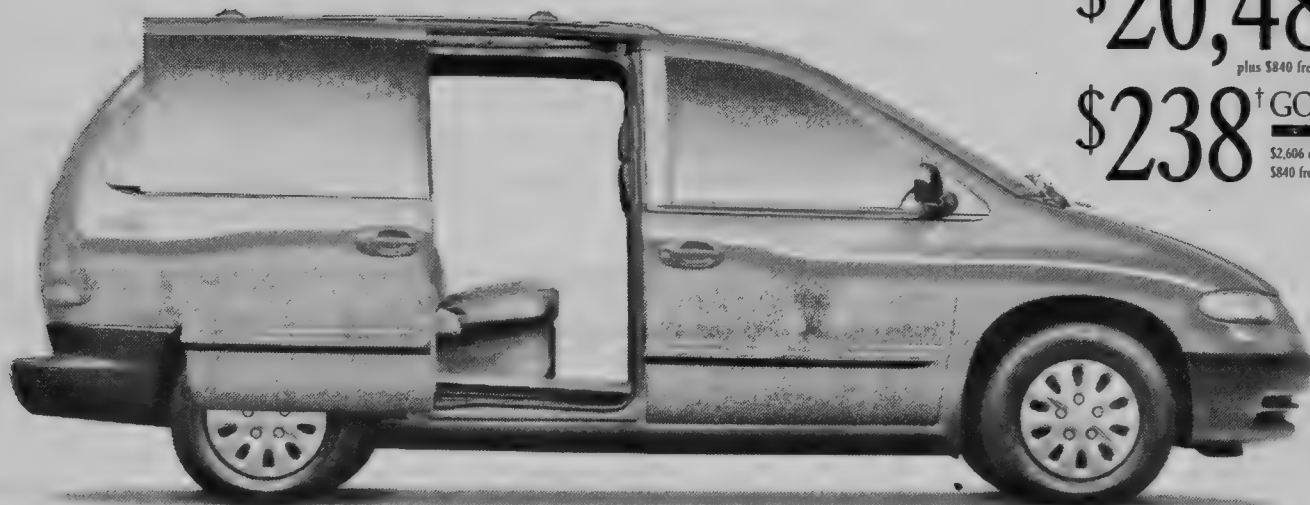
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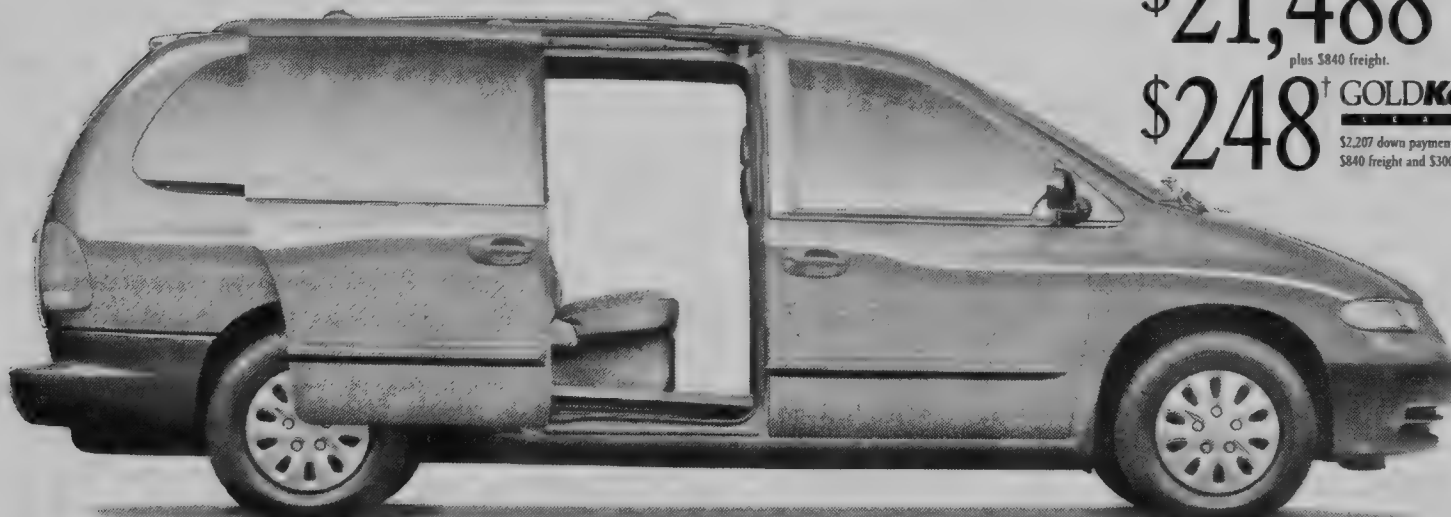
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Association continues to grow with help from friends

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Looking back on a year that has been full of "growth, change, excitement and challenge," the executive director of the Haliburton County Association for Community Living realized there were a lot of thank-yous to be made.

"This community has been wonderful in accepting the people we support," Cheryl Curry said at Tuesday night's annual general meeting at the Haliburton Legion.

And with a staff of committed, caring people and a host of volunteers who share the same attributes, the organization can be proud of the work it's done in sometimes challenging times over the past year, says the association's president.

"Due to the dedication of Cheryl, this staff and your volunteer board members, we are a well informed Community Living organization and our concerns and opinions are heard," said Pat Burke, reporting on the numerous meetings she and other executive members have attended. "I want to thank Cheryl for her caring ways and

her perseverance — it has been a major challenge to explore and understand the implications of the Ministry of Community and Social Services' plan and initiatives for our future."

By keeping involved and attentive, Burke says that "though we may be a relatively small community in Ontario, we play an interactive role in the provincial picture."

It's still not clear how the provincial changes will affect Haliburton County. The province has said 978 people would be moving out of institutions and back into their communities, Curry said. As part of the changes, an additional \$15-million was allocated for communities, with a particular emphasis on the needs of families with aging parents. The local association applied for some funding but was turned down.

As well, new policies such as Making Services Work for People "seems to create more questions than it answers."

On a more positive note about what was happening locally, Curry thanked the "dedicated and caring" staff as well as the volunteer board members who

put in so much time behind the scenes. Special thanks went to Burke for her work as president. "The trust and caring you show our staff and the people we support is amazing. You've always been there for us."

"And last but not least," Curry said in her report, "thanks to the people we support and their families. To be able to share in your lives has been such a wonderful experience."

Lynne Tate, chairperson of the support services committee, thanked the community employers who provided jobs for the association members. "I'm excited by businesses offering employment and we look forward to more opportunities being created," she said.

Members have expressed ideas on service improvements, and many have been implemented, such as cooking classes and "Coffee House" evenings. The board is working on organizing regular bowling games.

Of course, Tate noted, more volunteers would always be welcome and the association encourages more people to share their time and talents.

Five-year pins were presented to Ann Reynolds and Sherry



Cheryl Curry presents plaque to Gerry Dawson

York, and Maureen O'Hara was given a pin for her 15 years of working for the association.

The meeting was a bittersweet one for Gerry Dawson, who after 34 years, is stepping down as a board member and treasurer.

"The dedication, care and support he's shown to everyone is just overwhelming," Curry said before presenting him with a plaque of appreciation.

For his part, Dawson marvelled at how much the association has progressed since he first joined the board. He had just started his own accounting practice and was working across the hall from Gertrude Miller, a public health nurse who was helping to start up this new

group. She asked if he could be treasurer and he instantly said yes.

"I didn't realize what this association would grow to be," he said, remembers the volunteers and families "who were having to contend with bureaucracy in getting an association going in a rural area."

One of the major challenges at first was paying for the taxis to take members to a special school in Tory Hill.

"I've been impressed with the number of people who have shown such dedication and commitment," he said. "It's hard to believe we've grown from these humble beginnings but there's more to be done yet."

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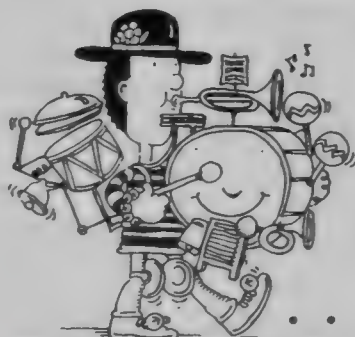
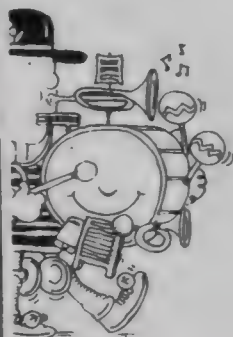
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Coalition strives to make schools inclusive

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

When Marilyn Dolmage was four, her brother was born with Down's Syndrome. The doctors told her parents that the best thing for them, and the boy, would be to send him to an institution where he could be "properly" cared for.

Her parents took the advice. "He 'disappeared'," Dolmage told Tuesday night's annual general meeting of the Haliburton County Association for Community Living at the Haliburton Legion. "He died in an institution (because people) decided he should be cared for by people who were paid to take care of him rather than by people who loved him."

Twenty-three years after the birth of her brother, Dolmage gave birth to her oldest of three children. Matthew had several special needs "and doctors wanted the same thing (for Matthew as they had wanted for her brother). We said no. We're here together."

Today, Dolmage can look back on years of struggle with school board officials who also wanted to put Matthew "over there" at a special school. She and her husband had to move to find a "regular" school which would accommodate Matthew's needs, and eventually took the Muskoka board to court to ensure their three children could

be like other siblings and attend the same school.

She now works for a coalition which is striving to protect other families from the same stresses. The Building Inclusive Schools project works with teachers, school board officials and families to do what's best for all children.

"We want to create an atmosphere where individual differences are welcome," she says, and the coalition is worried that the province's new focus on "back to basics" will try to separate those differences. With the province's approach, "everyone has to turn out of school the same, and that's a real threat for people with disabilities. When classes can be more flexible, there have been more chances for students" with intellectual disabilities to be a part of normal school life.

As well, in these days of cost cutting, "if there's only so much money then the worry we have is some won't get what they need to succeed."

Another worry is what will happen when school boards amalgamate. If one board has been inclusive and another hasn't, which approach will win out with the new, bigger board?

From her own experience, Dolmage has seen how important it was for her son Matthew to be included in regular classes, and that her three children have been able to attend the



Marilyn Dolmage

same school. She encourages other parents to fight for the same right.

Some education officials, she says, will try to tell parents "'over there' (at a separate facility) is really good." No. Tell them to make 'here' a good place for all kids. Sometimes the only way to make that happen is to say we're not leaving. Parents have to stick to their guns."

She would like to hear from parents and educators about their experiences with schools, both good and bad. Please contact the Haliburton County Association for Community Living at 457-2626 about how to become involved with the Building Inclusive Schools project.

Haliburton represented on Access Centre board

Marianne Knight, Chairperson of the Board of Directors of Haliburton, Northumberland and Victoria Long-Term Care Access Centre, is pleased to welcome Ann Wood as a new Director representing Haliburton County.

Mrs. Wood is well known in the Health Care field having occupied several positions in the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit as both a practitioner and volunteer. Her dedication over the years to the well-being of her clients was noted in her recommendation to the Board.

Knight remarked that Haliburton will now be represented in keeping with its

importance as the location of choice for many retirees.

Meanwhile, Marg Plaunt has been appointed as Interim Executive Director.

Mrs. Plaunt has occupied a similar post in the District Health Unit as Director of the Home Care Program and Placement Coordination Service. In the interests of continuity, and to provide uninterrupted service to clients, this appointment illustrates the Board's commitment to the needs of Long-Term Care staff, clients, service providers, and the general public for a smooth transition of responsibility from the HKPR District Health Unit to the new Access Centre.

Stolen vehicle recovered after chase

On June 17 at about 10:00 p.m., a 1979 Chevrolet pick up truck was reported stolen from the parking lot at the Haliburton Legion.

At 10:30 p.m., the vehicle was observed by a Minden OPP officer. The vehicle was northbound from West Guilford and headed for Eagle Lake. The stolen vehicle failed to stop for the officer and was followed at speeds of 125km/h. At the intersection of Highway 118 and County Rd. 14, the vehicle entered a private drive and went into a swamp.

Two occupants of the vehicle were arrested at the scene and remained in custody for bail hearings in Lindsay on Thursday.

A 17 year old Young Offender from Haliburton is charged with theft and possession of stolen property.

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A night to celebrate

■ *ASES graduates reach one milestone, prepare for another*

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

It was a night to celebrate reaching one important milestone and to mark the beginning of the

long journey towards another.

And with the same hard work, commitment and dedication they've already proven at the elementary level, Archie Stouffer Elementary School's Grade 8



TIM HARRISON MEMORIAL AWARD: Shawna Ray accepts the Tim Harrison Memorial Award from teacher Glen Carter.



'MODEL STUDENT': Margaret Berubé, centre, accepts the Stuart Baker Memorial Award, from Dorothy Baker and her daughter, Jennifer. The award, given in memory of the late Stuart Baker, recognizes a "model student" who achieves high academic standing and is affable and pleasant.

graduates will go on to success in both high school and life, said principal Peter Forgrave.

Even still, that shift to the new school environment full of new faces, new rules, new freedoms and new challenges can be daunting, he admitted.

But for all the same reasons the three classes of ASES graduates are also facing an exciting time of wonderful new experiences.

"Never doubt that you are equal to any student in Ontario," Forgrave reminded the class of '97. "When you go into that high school in September, you are the same as every other high school student in Ontario."

In addition to congratulating the students on their accomplish-

ments, Forgrave praised the parents, teachers, school workers and volunteers who helped contribute to their achievements.

Forgave told the students not to forget their good values and to continue to show care and consideration for the family and friends who give them important support.

He also urged them to strive for their goals. "It's still a world where you can believe in dreams and make them come true."

While it is important to do well academically, the real key to success in school and life can be found through helping others, said teacher Dale McConnell, who was the keynote speaker.

"My advice to the graduates? Love your neighbour as you

would love yourself. Be a friend. If you want a friend, you have to be a friend," he told the students.

An exciting part of the evening came when students whose outstanding performance in various areas were recognized with special distinction awards.

French Awards: Josh Shaw, Raymond Shim and Margaret Berubé were honoured for the hard work they have put into excelling at French.

Athletic Award: This award does not necessarily recognize who is best in sports, but who best demonstrates co-operative teamwork and leadership. This year three students shared the honour

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ASES grads honoured

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— Josh Shaw, Elizabeth Brown and Emily Brandon.

Tim Harrison Memorial Award: Given in the memory of the young ASES graduate who was refereeing a hockey game when he was hit in the head and died from a blood clot. Teacher Glen Carter remembered Tim Harrison as a fine tuba player and a great kid. He said this year's recipient, Shawna Ray, demonstrated many of the same attributes.

Alan Walker Memorial Award: Like the award's name-sake, two students this year showed themselves to be very helpful and kind to school staff and classmates. Christine Hayes and Chris Baumhour shared the award.

Stuart Baker Memorial Award: Given by the Ontario Public School Teachers' Federation in the memory of the well-liked education director of Haliburton County Board of Education and long-time local educator, this award recognizes someone who not only achieves high academic standing, but also is affable and pleasant — "a model student." The late Mr. Baker's wife, Dorothy, and daughter, Jennifer, presented the award to this year's recipient, Margaret Berubé.

Haliburton County Women Teachers' Federation Award: President Chris Lynd says this leadership award recognizes a student who leads by example and gains the trust and respect of others. The recipient cares about other people's opinions and listens to them. The student is astute and sensitive. This year the award was given to Emily Brandon.

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Award: Brian Austin told the audience the award recognizes students who overcome obstacles to achieve outstanding results. This year, one student from each class deserved the honour — Katie Cox, Jeremy Johnson and Adam Thorn.

Museum Board History Award: For students with the highest history marks in each class: Krista Matysek, Raymond Shim and Margaret Berubé.

Toronto Dominion Bank English Award: For students with the highest English marks: Emily Brandon, Shawna Ray and Margaret Berubé.

CIBC Math Award: For the students with the highest math marks in each class: Heather Little, Jeremy Johnson and Sean Carrell.

The following is the ASES graduating class of 1997. The names of students who have over-all honours are in capitals.

8A: Chris Boxall, EMILY BRANDON, ELIZABETH BROWN, Curtis Danilko, Jeremy Davis, Erin Fielding, Keri Hartwick, Chris Hewitt, Gregory Hewitt, Kyle Hirstwood, Kim Lindsay, HEATHER LITTLE, KEEGAN MACKENZIE, KRISTA MATYSEK, Justin McClenaghan, Matt McElwain, Dan Nielsen, Ashley Pettes, Kaila Rawlings, Josh Shaw, LIZ THOMPSON, Adam Thorn and Shane Walker.

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8C: Steven Alexander, Stephanie Armstrong, Christine Barnes, Todd Barter, MARGARET BERUBE, Sean Carrell, Mimi Cho, Katie Cox, Brad Gauley, Kent Greer, Christine Hayes, Josh Howard, Caleb Loughheed, Billie Maw, Sara McGuire, Heather McKelvey, Jesse McKelvey, Phillip Neville, Crystal Patterson, JEFFREY PENTNEY, Brittany Prentice, Shauna Sisson, Sarah Wilbee and Trevor Woods.



FRONT-ROW SEATS: Watching their friends and classmates receive their graduation certificates while waiting for their turn are (from left): Sara McGuire, Heather McKelvey, Jesse McKelvey and Phillip Neville.



MATH AWARDS: From left, Sean Carrell, Heather Little and Jeremy Johnson received the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce Math Award



NATURAL LEADER: Chris Lynd (right), president of the Haliburton Women Teachers' Federation, gives Emily Brandon a hug after presenting her with the federation's leadership award.

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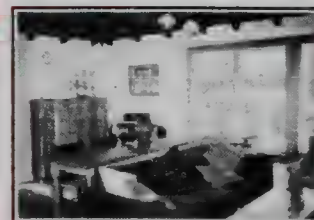
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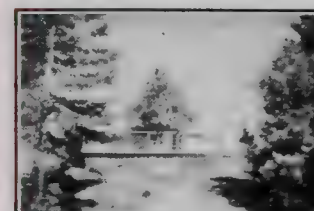
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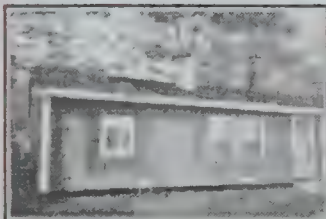
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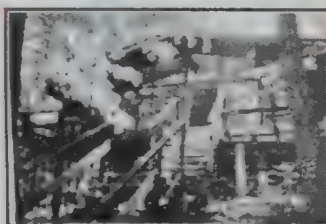
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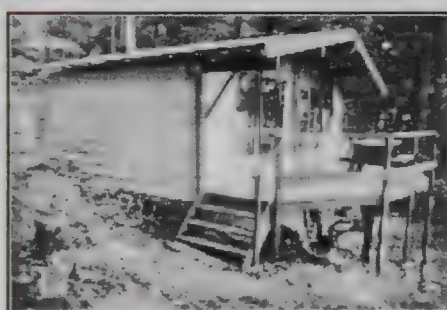
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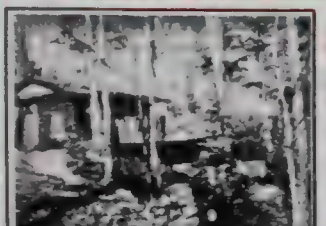
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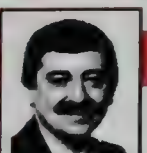
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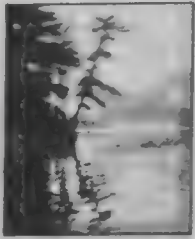
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TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 1997

A celebration of the past; excitement for the future

by **MARTHA PERKINS**
Editor

IN A SEA OF BLUE, the Grade 8 graduates at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School walked into the crowded gym to celebrate their achievements over the past few years.

When they walked out again, to the applause of the hundreds of family members and friends, they were already thinking of the future – the dance which followed the graduation ceremonies and the next few years they'd spend at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

Sadness and joy mingled together freely on Friday night as the 114 students said goodbye to one school and hello to another. But there were probably more tears in the eyes of the parents who were often overwhelmed by the seemingly overnight transformation of their blue-jean clad children into sophisticated young adults dressed to the nines for their farewell to Grade 8.

Principal McKay Brydon reminded them that their success that night was a group effort. Thanks to the help of teachers, school staff, parents, relatives and neighbours, the students were able to do all that was required of them to reach such a milestone. "Not one of you got here tonight without attention from a whole lot of other people."

Of course, the students worked at it, too. Several were acknowledged for achieving the highest standards in each of the four Grade 8 classes:

• **Arts:** Shane Campbell, Patti Riley, Paige Yateman and Nicole Sisco

• **Language:** Jenna Benoit, Laura Kennedy, Stephanie Sternberg, Sarah Billings

• **French:** Jenna Benoit, Lillian St. Cyr, Tanya Hunter, Tracy Tibbitts

• **Personal and Social Studies:** Kerry Schakelaar,

Aaron Hindman, Sidney Barkowski, Tracy Tibbitts

• **Math:** Meredith Brown, Michelle Russell, Jamie Luck, Liane Dron

• **Music:** Kelly Pettit, Aaron Hindman, Alicia Sales, Aaron Martin

• **Athletics:** Kerry Schakelaar, Caley Sisson, Tanya Hunter, Liane Dron

• **Science and Technology:** Meredith Brown, Diego Rico, Sidney Barkowski, Aaron Martin

The special distinction awards were, for the first time, given to students from each of the four Grade 8 classes (instead of one for the entire graduating class.)

Stuart Baker Memorial Award: This new award honours the late Stuart Baker, who spent all of his school years in the Highlands – as student, teacher, principal and eventually, director of education. It's for students who share his attributes of being caring and thoughtful, a strong leader who "knows how to work with people and how to make them do their best." The recipients were Kerry Schakelaar, Caley Sisson, Liane Dron and Tanya Hunter.

Leadership: Chosen by teachers on behalf of the Haliburton County Women Teachers Federation, this award recognizes "someone who has gained our trust and listens to what others have to say; cares and communicates honestly; is astute and sensitive; makes decisions based on the good of everyone; is encouraging, helpful and makes decisions which change things and makes things happen," said Georgiena Boyle. She also reminded everyone that "no matter who you are today, you can train yourself to attain these skills." The recipients were Kelly Dawson, Michelle Russell, Jessica Swan and Nicole Sisco.

Doug Devolin Citizenship: Named for a former principal for students who "made their

classroom and school a better place to be by their thoughtful, caring attitude." The recipients were Meredith Brown, Carrie Feir, Cory Roberts and Gerald Sharp.

Top Grade 8: Presented by two teachers who are retiring, Bernice Elstone and Jim Milne, the awards went to Jenna Benoit, Laura Kennedy, Kendra Griffin and Tracy Tibbitts.

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Logan Roberts and Joel Potter, top, ham it up for the camera – and there were lots of cameras in the gym at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School on Friday night. Families and friends were sure to capture the Grade 8 graduates, in all their finery, on film. Some of the finery included April Wells' "drop dead" dress, above right. The students and audience gave Lisa Mitchell, top left on left, a standing ovation when she was presented with her diploma from teacher Roy Scott and tutor Patti Abel, who taught Lisa at home while Lisa recuperated from treatments for brain cancer. Taryn Thomas was obviously glad to see graduation day arrive

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JDHES grads ready for high school

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When the graduation diplomas were being awarded, there was a tearful standing ovation from students and the crowd for Lisa Mitchell, who's had to have a tutor, Patti Abel, at home for the past year as she fights brain cancer. Andrew Sharp, who is autistic, was also applauded by his fellow graduates.

The following is the 1996/97 Grade 8 graduating class, with those students who have achieved honours in bold letters:

Christopher Alden, Mathew Balaski, **Sidney Barkowski**, Jeremy Barrick, Thomas Bates, Heather Beggs, **Jenna Benoit**, **Sarah Billings**, Shannon Billings, Tracy Billings, **Stefan Bjelis**, Leila Blakey, Stephanie Bolger, **Meredith Brown**, Bryan Burke, Mike Cameron, Shane Campbell, Brian Chow, **Katherine Clark**, **Taryn Clarke**, Steven Cowen, Scot Curry, **Shawna Curry**, **Kelly Dawson**, Corystall Dewitt, Jamie Doan, **Liane Dron**, Shain Duda, Timothy Duhn, Nickolaus Dunec, David Ellison, **Ryan Emmerson**, **Carrie Feir**, Brian Fowler, Sarah Gater, Dwain Glover, **Elizabeth Goldenberg**, Julie Graham, **Kendra Griffin**, **Jenna Grossman**, Avery Gurr, April Hawco, Kevin Haywood, Adam Henry, Justin Hie, **Aaron Hindman**, Jonathan Horsley, **Rebecca Howitt**, Jeremy Huffman, **Tanya Hunter**,

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JDHES CITIZENSHIP AWARD:

Meredith Brown, Carrie Feir, Kori Roberts and Gerald Sharp made their school a better place to be.



JDHES LEADERSHIP AWARDS:

Able to inspire and respect their fellow students were Kelly Dawson, Michelle Russell, Jessica Swan and Nicole Sisco.



JDHES TOP GRADE 8 STUDENT AWARDS:

(Left) Achieving the highest standings in each of the four classes were Jenna Benoit, Laura Kennedy, Kendra Griffin and Tracy Tibbitts.



JDHES STUART BAKER MEMORIAL AWARDS: Exemplifying the fine traits of the late Stuart Baker were Caley Sisson, Kerry Schakelaar, Liane Dron and Tanya Hunter.

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"Family" of students look back on a fun year

by **DIEGO RICO**
JDHES Grade 8 Valedictorian

I HAVE ONE THING to say to the teachers: I don't understand how they survived so long...

I really admire the teachers for putting up with the talking back, bad behaviour and the noise. One thing is for sure: we couldn't have been that bad because none of our wonderful Grade 8 teachers died on us. But we did give Mr. Brydon and Mrs. Wales a run for their money!

The whole school did great in many ways:

- In sports, Grade 8s were proud of their school teams. With Mr. Smith, Mrs. Dron and

Mr. Cowie as their coaches, both the girls and boys volleyball teams won the championships.

- And in basketball, the teams with Mr. Brydon, Mr. Smith, Mr. Hoare and Mr. Reid went to Minden to win the tournament.

- A thank you to Mr. Hoare who coached the Quiz Team which won us a computer for the school. We need lots of those!

- Another thank you to Mrs. Boyle who coached the Think Bowl team which went on to win us second and third place in the province. In the whole province! That just goes to show them that we are also pretty smart in the North Country.

- The band did great, too. We played lots of music in lots of

places. A big thank you to Mr. Pawluch. (I think he is hearing impaired now.)

Grade 8 was about learning, too:

- We learned how to live and let live. And most importantly, we learned almost everything that we need to go about having an average life in a not-so-average world.

- We learned how to speak and when to speak. They also taught us how to be quiet. On the speaking subject, I would also like to extend a big thank you to the Legion. That proud group of Canadians supports our school's

public speaking, the arts and our creative writing. They support us with certificates and with money. Please keep the money coming...

And now, for the grand finale. I think I speak for all the Grade 8s when I say

- We would like to say sorry for any wrongdoings we might have done

- We will miss JDHES in a big way

- and for all the care, attention, dedication, effort and understanding we got from all of you, that has made us better people, a big thank you. Have a great summer!



JDHES Valedictorian Diego Rico

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The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation

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Thursday, June 26, 1997

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Members of the public are welcome

(Please note: HHHS has a no-smoking practice at meetings)

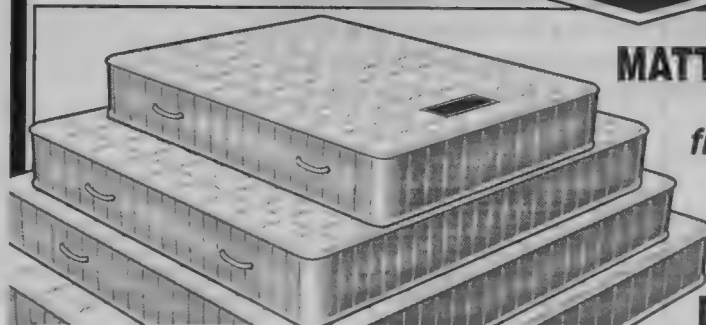
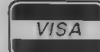
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Wilberforce grads close important chapter of lives

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Wilberforce School celebrated the end of a fantastic year and the closure of an important chapter in the lives of the Grade 6 graduates last week.

Friday morning's awards presentation and graduation ceremony recognized not only the students for their hard work, but

also the parents, teachers, school workers and volunteers who helped contribute to this year's achievements.

"I think of your journey through school and through life as though you are writing a book," principal Rosie Kenney told the students. "For the Grade 6 graduates, you are finishing one chapter of your lives today and moving on to another one."

But by giving their best effort at all times, having a positive attitude and caring about those around them, Kenney said the graduates could ensure their stories continue on successfully.

"No matter what you do, do your very best because it will pay off in the long run," she said.

The Grade 6 students weren't the only one who closed a chapter of their lives at the school last



AWARD WINNERS:
A few graduates were recognized with special distinction awards, including (back, from left): Rachel Outram, for musical excellence; Christina Alden, for citizenship; Sandra Riley, most-improved student; (front, from left) Stephanie DeCarlo, for athletic excellence; and Mathew Manary, for academic excellence.

week.

Kenney herself is moving on to become vice-principal at Archie Stouffer Elementary School and teachers Cindy Rowden, Diana Sheridan and Gary Simmons are leaving Wilberforce.

Kenney thanked the students, staff, parents and other community members for making her year at the school "absolutely wonderful."

This year students from all classes were given gold and silver seals for good performance in various subject areas, such as reading, art, participation, attendance, story-telling or cross-country running.

A number of students whose hard work produced outstanding results were also recognized with special achievement

awards.

Racheal Outram received the Agnew Family Award for musical excellence.

Christina Alden was given the Citizenship Award, which recognizes a student who enjoys helping others in the school and has a positive attitude.

Joan and Ken Noble presented Sandra Riley with the award they offer each year to the most-improved student.

For the second year in a row, Mathew Manary received the award for academic excellence.

Stephanie DeCarlo was given the Athletic Excellence Award, which recognizes a student who consistently puts forth their best effort, is a team player and a good sport.

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Sealed Tenders will be accepted only at the Purchasing Office, Room 414, Brealey Building, 599 Brealey Drive, Peterborough, Ontario until 2:00 P.M. Wednesday, July 2nd, 1997, at which time they will be opened in public.

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The College reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

The actual area to be contracted will be dependent on the budget approved at time of issuance of the purchase order.

For further information, please contact Mr. Frank Dalley, (705) 749-5508, or Mrs. Sandy Lawrence at (705) 749-5554.

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THE GRADE 6 GRADUATES: Back, from left: Racheal Outram, Stephen Forde, Paul Hutchinson, Christina Alden, Corrine Dewitt, Meghan Foulds and Veronica Ablett. Front, from left: Sandra Riley, Morgan Gadoway, Steven Smith, Mathew Manary, Rodney Fowler, Brandon Logan, Daniel Vanier and Amanda Bolger.



Municipality of Dysart et al

NOTICE

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the United Township of Dysart et al has by resolution declared Part of Lot 16, Concession X, further described at Block "G", Plan 404 in the Township of Guilford, in the County of Haliburton to be surplus, subject to its merger in title with the surrounding lands.

NOW THEREFORE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to enact at its regular meeting to be held on Monday, July 14th, 1997, a by-law to convey Part of Lot 16, in Concession X, further described as Block "G", Plan 404 in the Township of Guilford, in the County of Haliburton.

DATED at the Township of Dysart, this 16th day of June, 1997.

Patricia E. Martin
M.C.I.P., R.P.P.
Planning Administrator



Municipality of Dysart et al

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Clerk-Administrator



MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL Economic Development Committee

The Council of the Municipality of Dysart et al feels there is a need to establish an Economic Development Committee.

We are asking anyone that would be interested in serving on this committee to submit their name to the Municipal Office prior to July 15, 1997.

Please call the Municipal Office for more information.

Donna L. McCallum
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Dorset Elementary School's Classes of '97



GRADE 6 GRADUATION: The Grade 6 graduating class at Dorset Elementary School and their teachers are, from left, Theresa Alexander, Murray Ross, teaching assistant Debra Roberts, Amy Ross, Derrick Kent, Kevin Ryalan, Grade 6 teacher Doris MacDonald and Peggy Taylor.

PRESENT AND ACCOUNTED FOR: Principal Mike Burke presented the award for near perfect attendance to Samantha Ellerington, Nathan Reid, Ryan Robinson-Hatton, Carter Lonsdale, Farrah Dukoff, Rebecca Arbuckle, and Rebecca Holthan.



KINDERGARTEN CLASS OF '97: Graduating from kindergarten are Hailey Pulfrey, Farrah Dukoff, Christopher Bennett, Carter Lonsdale, Mackenzie Drinkwater, Caleb MacKay, Ryan Robinson-Hatton, Jacqueline Timbers and Rebecca Arbuckle with their teacher Laura Scheffee.

Students at Dorset Elementary School received awards and celebrated two graduations during a ceremony at the Dorset Recreation Centre on June 20.

Six Grade 6 students will be leaving the Dorset nest this September and were treated to a gift and diploma.

The graduating kindergarten class was a bit larger with nine students who will use the summer to psyche themselves up for their big venture into Grade 1.

In September, they can finally take

part in the Kilometre Klub which the rest of the school students were eligible to participate in and received awards, as did the students who had near perfect attendance throughout the school year.

Although it was a fun ceremony for the students, it was emotional for teachers Laura Scheffee who will be leaving Dorset to teach at Wilberforce Elementary School, and Lise Lacroix who will be teaching at a private school in Toronto.

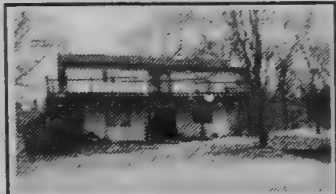
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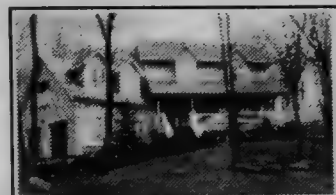
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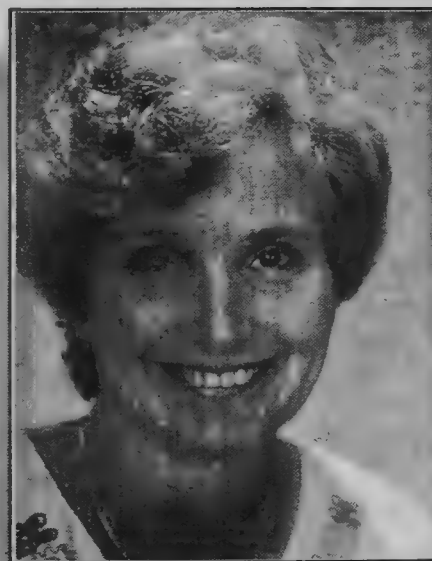
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Golden anniversary celebrated in Wilberforce

Congratulations and best wishes are very much in order for Eva and Jack Linkert who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary earlier this month. Their 50 years together were honoured first at a party arranged by their son Danny and daughter Judy Andrew in Burlington. The Linkerts lived many years in the Hamilton area and with so many relatives and friends there, and the party was attended by over forty well-wishers. They included Eva's two sisters

WILBERFORCE

News

Hilda Clark

from the Hamilton/Burlington area and one from Michigan State. Jack's sister Elsie, and brother Roy and his wife Ellen were there and lots of American cousins.

Then surprise! Danny arrived home to Wilberforce with the happy couple to be

surprised with a second celebration given by friends here. Among the attendees were Jack's brother Murray and his wife Helen.

Another school year has been completed for the students at the Wilberforce School. Among the closing week activities were the Festival of Friends and the Track and Field meet. The latter included traditional events, while the festival had presentations of singing and dancing and many fun games at stations were set up.

On the last day of classes at a school assembly, major awards for the year were presented to worthy students. The Academic Award went to Mathew Manary. The Citizenship Award went to Christine Alden. Sandra Riley received the Most Improved Student Award given by Ken and Joan Noble. Stephanie Decarlo won the Athletic Award. Rachel Outram won the Music Award given by Agnew's Store. These awards were in the form of plaques

for each recipient. As well, their names will be engraved on wall plaques at the school.

Reports will soon be mailed to students and their families. Best wishes to the children for a playful, enjoyable summer. And for a restful one for the staff when they too go on vacation!

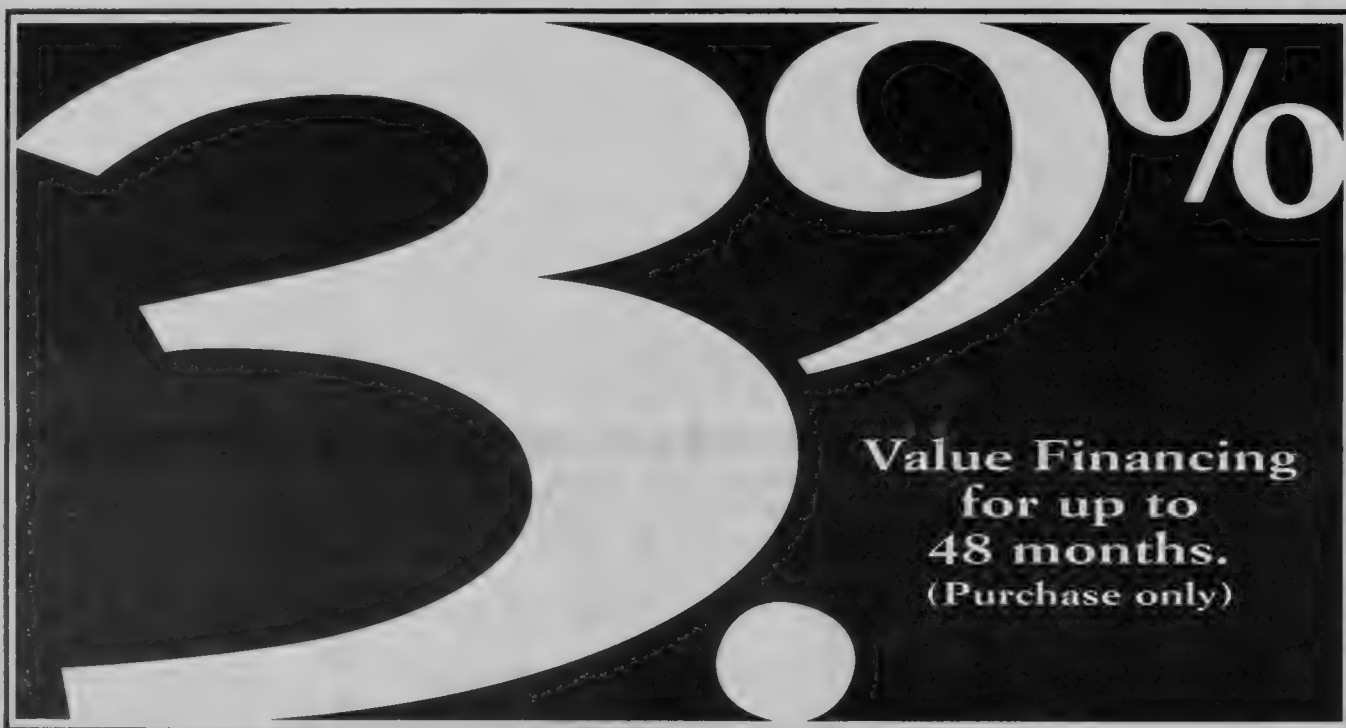
Best wishes for a happy retirement from his work with Monmouth Township goes out to Kenneth Noble. A fine party was held at the LWM Centre on June 20.

Elsie Lewis recently spent time with family and friends in St. Catharines, Thorold, Burlington and area. Among friends visited were Millie Ross, formerly of Wilberforce who sends greetings to her friends here. Elsie, a much-in-demand musical lady, enjoyed several birthday celebrations including her own during her vacation. She would like to thank Bessie Shackleton for taking her place as organist at St. Margaret's during her absence. Happy birthday Elsie.

Several local people were at St. James Anglican Cathedral in Toronto last week to take part in the election of a bishop for the diocese. Attending this special synod was the Rev. Christopher Greaves, Lynne Johnson, Eleanor Cooper, Nicholas Fawcett and Hilda Clark. Elected on the third ballot was the Rev. Ann Elizabeth Tottenham who is currently incumbent in parishes in Orono and Newcastle.

Remember the U.C. Strawberry Supper at 5 to 7 p.m. on June 28, as well as the Canada Day program at the Outpost Museum on July 1 beginning at 11:30 a.m.

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PLAYING THE NUMBERS GAME: Over 80,000 students from across Canada took part in the Canadian Mathematics Competition conducted by the Faculty of Mathematics at the University of Waterloo, and these HHSS scored top marks. The top medal winners are, front row from left, Michele Robinson, Nicholas Fawcett, math teacher Walter Tose, John Craig and Jake Roberts. Back Row, from left, is Larissa Thomas, Shelley Hirstwood, Amy Pergolas, Todd Hoare, Trevor Cole, Graeme Fawcett, Geoff Oitment, Jason Meyers, Jeff Bonham. Missing are Brian Dole, Alaina Benoit, Daniel Vanderlip, Doug Clark, Nelson Fielding, Nathan Johnson, Matt Heffer and Eric Harris.

Farmer's Association newsletter has news you can use from June

From the June newsletter written by Linda Sisson of the Haliburton County Farmer's Association, we learn that Shane Sisson is one of the six directors of the Veterinary Service's Program.

Mark your calendar for the bus trip to Algonquin Park on Sept. 27 with a stop scheduled for the Logging Museum.

Congratulations to the McClintocks, Mike and Jean, on their 50th wedding anniversary attended by many friends from the West Guilford Baptist Church.

Decoration Day at the

WEST GUILFORD

News

Eleanor Cooper

754-2388

Maple Lake United Church Cemetery takes place at 2 p.m. on June 29. Allan Upton, member of session, invites anyone whose beloved people lie there to attend this service.

Home Support's calendar notes that Rip's will be hosting the Wheels to Meals at noon on June 25, with euchre at 1 p.m.

Did you know that Home

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On June 10 we had visitors from Kearney, Robb and Phyllis McKay, Marilyn and Ross McKay, their father, Ralph Bice and his sister, Bessie and her husband Frank Mason. The Masons celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary last September and had pictures showing everyone who rejoiced with them on that happy occasion.

The last school trip of the year gives way to summer programs

We wish Gavin Trudeau a great first Birthday on June 19. Greetings also to Derrick Kent, Caleb MacKay, Kurtis Dubois, Devon McKey, and Irene Clayton. Happy Anniversary greetings to Vi and Gordon Elms who celebrated their 45th on June 21.

The Dorset Seniors are winding up the season of regular Wednesday evening meetings, with a dinner out at a local restaurant. Their annual Flea Market and Bake Sale is on June 28. Vendor space is still available. Please call Arnold Brown at 766-2561 for information.

The Dorset Elementary School, from kindergarten to Grade 6 were on a trip to Sudbury on June 5 and 6. They had the opportunity to participate in Science programs set up by interpreters at Science North. One of the more interesting programs involved the kinder-

DORSET

News

Phyllis Briscoe

766-2237

gartens handling a live beaver and learning about his habitat. The older grades enjoyed programs on electricity. Everyone went underground on a guided tour through the Big Nickel Mine Museum.

They stayed overnight at Laurentian University residences. The 54 students and 17 parents and teachers arrived home on Friday at 9:30 p.m. happy but exhausted. Special thanks should be extended to those who organized and financed this trip.

The long first of July summer weekend is coming up in the near future and so it is fire works time again. The Dorset Volunteer Fire Department is holding Fire Cracker night on Sunday, June 29 at

dusk (approx. 9:30 - 10:00 p.m.) in big Trading Bay.

There is no barge but a boat will be passing around for contributions. The rain date is Monday, June 30th, contributions.

Summer Day Camp and Red Cross Swimming lessons will be available at the Dorset Recreation Centre from June 30 to August 22. For a schedule of events and particulars please contact the Recreation Centre. There is a great deal of entertainment and activities planned for the children.

We use a great many French words in our English Vocabulary. One is buffet: it means "Get up and get it your self."

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Every Thursday **LINE DANCING** at the H.C.H.S.S. Drop In Centre 10:00am - 11:30am Seniors 55+ and/or physically challenged 18+

June 26 **LUNCHEON & BAKE SALE** 11:30 am - 1:00pm

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June 26 Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation **ANNUAL MEETING**, 7:00pm, Minden Community Centre. Members of the public welcome.

Thurs. June 26: Luncheon and Bake Sale at Echo Hills Legion Apartments, \$3 p.p. 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Sat. June 28: Church Bake Sale and Yard Sale at Eagle Lake Community Church, 10a.m. to 12 noon.

Sat. June 28: The Haliburton Highlands Weavers and Spinners invite you to attend the opening of Pritchard House, the guild's new home. 2 p.m. Demonstrations, ribbon cutting, and refreshment

July 5 **4th ANNUAL WILD BOAR ROAST** at Lochlin Community Centre. Hosted by Lochlin United Church. Reserve early. Sittings at 4:00, 5:00, 6:00 & 7:00 p.m. Adults \$10; 12 & under \$4; pre-schoolers free. 286-2029

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Festive fundraiser



BURNING RUBBER: The ladies and gentlemen from Extencicare took part in a wheelbarrow race that took them to the cenotaph and back again on June 21 — they stopped off for ice-cream which was donated by Boomer's and quenched their thirst with sodas thanks to the IGA and Valu-Mart. Raising money for Alzheimer's and the Old Timer's Group were, from left, Dorothy Harrison and her driver Ab Norman, Irene Horne looking relaxed while being pushed by Vic lebotson and Cathy Burns and her driver Pat Norman who is hiding behind the balloons. Burns' brother, Bob Burns, was responsible for raising \$640, and the even overall raised \$1,300. In the background on the left is Johannes Moraal and his driver Toos Reid and Violet Dovell who was pushed by Rose Barry.

Hyland Crest changes system of how visitors enter and leave

Mary was here on Friday morning, reading a novel for us. Our thanks to Mary for volunteering her time. Happy hour was enjoyable with entertainment by Northern Jam.

On June 14, one of our nurses, Tammy Cambell was married at Zion United Church in Carnarvon. Best wishes to you.

The new system for visitors entering and leaving our home is now in place just in time now that we are seeing many more visitors with the warmer weather. This new system is more convenient for visitors and staff. On Sunday, one of the visitors took time to play for us on the electric organ.

Going back a bit, to the end of May, Ray Moore, a former student of Nina Prentice visited with her. Ray, who was born and raised in the area, now lives with his wife in New Orleans. They enjoyed talking of things past.

We were sorry to hear of

SENIOR LEAGUE

Hyland Crest News

Donna Wallace

286-2140

the passing of Wilhelmina Elphinstone in her 91st year. Our sympathy to her family and friends.

Allsaw Pentecostal Church members were here on the June 16 for the monthly hymn sing which we always enjoy and is well attended.

We are glad to hear that Winnie Barnum's son, Terry, is recovering from his sudden illness.

On June 17, Rev. Peter Walford-Davis officiated at chapel service where Jean Carr was remembered by residents and staff.

We have learned that Robbie Young is in Western Hospital in Toronto recovering from surgery. Our get well wishes to you, Robbie. We

hope you are feeling better soon.

We just had a pleasant interruption while writing this. Joan Bunn was here with two delightful puppies. Accompanying her was John Dicker, one of our residents. He was very attentive to the puppies and made sure they were kept safe.

We welcome Rick Edwards to our home and also Alice Hopper who was here on vacation and has now joined us permanently. We also welcome Rose, a new activities volunteer.

This afternoon we are looking forward to our tea party. The ladies' auxiliary is planning to serve us fresh strawberries and ice cream. That will certainly bring a lot of us out.

Happy Birthday wishes to Grace Coburn, 91 years on June 28. And a reminder that the Flea Market will be held on July 5 to 6. We hope these dates are on your calendar.

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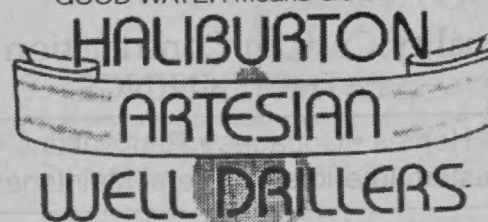
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Christening summer with Father's Day, bake sales and very berry dinners

On Father's Day, the Children of the Sunday School who are in the Junior Choir took the musical part of the service. They're very talented under the direction of Melissa Stephens. They received their awards for attendance and participation. Thank you to their dedicated teachers.

Among the people with family members who are home for Father's Day were Norma Wallace, Bob and Joyce Wiltshire, Jack and Roene Barnhart, Dave and Mary Bell and Garth and Helen Windsor.

The Fred Gregorys of Ottawa were with his parents this week and attended the funeral of his friend Lloyd Johnson.

Please remember when discarding anything useful how your goods can be used at Zion's Annual Lawn

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and Bake Sale July 19 from 9 a.m. to noon. Items may be left at the church any Thursday from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Bill McKay spent the weekend in Keswick at his son David's home.

Gordon Rivers of Brampton spent a few days with his sister Betty Davies.

Watch for upcoming information on Legion Branch 129's Super Yard Sale — it's a great place for bargain hunters.

Congratulations to Albert and Judy Carpenter who celebrate 25 years of marriage on June 24. Friends and relatives gathered at Carnarvon

Bowl on Saturday night to wish them more years of togetherness.

The Annual August 14 Dinner at Zion will be a Salad Supper this year. Seating will be from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Adults can dine for \$8, children under 12 for \$4, and preschoolers will be admitted free. Call Ann McKay at 489-2924.

Mark July 9 on your calendar; it's the Choir's Annual Berry Entertaining Evening at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the Four Seasons Store.

A very happy birthday to Edith Russell who celebrated her 96th birthday on June 21. She still enjoys getting out to the card and bingo games.

Congratulations also to Murray McGuire of Halls Lake and Irene Roberts of Haliburton who were united in marriage on June 21.

Staying regular with Valentine, Canada Red and Cherry Red rhubarb

Children are now officially out of school.

Let the tourist season and summer begin, ironically on the longest day of the year.

In Eagle Lake the watchword is "Rhubarb". The first "pie party" was held this week producing 39 pies in four hours. It was a neighbourhood effort thanks to Corinne Hie, Cassie and Megan, Ruth Teasdale, Alma Barjarow, Peggy Dahl and myself.

We plan four more such parties. Contact us if you're interested in helping.

The lowly rhubarb plant has achieved its highest profile ever thanks to interest and experiments done by food technologist B. Oraikul and nutritionist and a doctor of medicine T. Bas. Their findings were widely mentioned in a variety of publications this past winter.

Rhubarb has tremendous potential for those with heart disease — and constipation. It regulates you like clockwork.

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News

Ruth Still
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body without being partially re absorbed by the intestines as is the case with bran fibres.

At the University of Alberta these researchers received word that their process of separating the fibre from the plant has a patent pending both in Canada and the U.S. as reported by J. Holubitsky for Southam Star Network.

Another interesting but worthless fact: a cup of rhubarb has the same amount of calcium as a cup of milk. Unfortunately rhubarb's oxalic acid destroys the calcium value. Did you ever try to drink milk while munching rhubarb.

This same oxalic acid which is highly concentrated in the rhubarb leaf makes it extremely poisonous, though the stalks are safely edible.

Rhubarb came to us with the advent of Europeans probably from China via Siberia. It is very hardy, likes full sunlight and will

tolerate a variety of soils. Since it is a heavy feeder and can be repicked if stalks are snapped off not cut, it needs fertilizer.

The coarse green stalks produce the best fibre but the reddish varieties are sweetest including Cherry Red, Canada Red and Valentine.

Because of its natural toxins it is generally disease free. Even mosquitoes and black flies seem to avoid it.

In a summer of drought, those large green leaves of the rhubarb stand out, an oasis of green in a burnt landscape.

I have no solution for those who cannot grow it. I swear a piece of that root showing some pink buds would grow in concrete.

On June 27, aided by measuring devices from the county, civic numbering will be done on County Roads 6, 14, Sir Sam's Road, Parson's Road and roads to Glen, Boshkung and Moose Lake. In due time residents will receive notice of their number.

Fourteen were present at a first Neighbourhood Watch meeting. The police were understaffed that night and could not spare us a speaker; so another meeting is planned.

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